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**LATE-NIGHT BLAZE:** A garage behind George's Roasters and Ribs restaurant was reduced to a burned-out shell just after 12 a.m. Monday morning, in a fire that may have been the work of an arsonist. The garage was used mainly for storage, and no one was inside during the fire. Seven fire engines and many other emergency vehicles responded to a general alarm.

## 3-Day Future Search Conference Suggests Office on Aging Should Be Established Here

The consensus among the Princeton citizens and service providers who participated in a three-day Future Search conference last week was that there should be an Office on Aging established in Princeton as well as a Council on Aging, an umbrella group representing all the different groups and agencies that interact with Princeton's older population.

The group also agreed that they would like to see a continuing care retirement community built in Princeton and a pattern of housing that is mixed as to age, race and income and includes the ability to provide personal assisted care when needed. Improved health care delivery, particularly for seniors, and more emphasis on intergenerational programs and activities were two more topics on which the group not only achieved consensus but agreed to specific action plans to make them happen in the next several years.

Sponsored by the Joint Commission on Aging, the conference was about making a commitment to senior citizens in Princeton in the future. Over the last decade, a special type of conference sometimes

called "search conferences" or "visioning meetings" or "future searches" have proved useful in moving entire organizations and communities not only toward having a common vision, but toward actually beginning to build it.

This particular Future Search conference was led by Ralph Copleman of Lawrenceville and Suzanne Matteson of Kinnelon. Both are management consultants with long experience in areas such as human resource development and executive development.

The idea for having this kind of conference was initiated by Harriet Bogdonoff, a member of the Joint Commission on Aging who is also a member of the board of the Princeton Senior Resource Center. Mrs. Bogdonoff enlisted Rhona Porter, the social services provider at Elm Court, and a committee consisting of Marcy Crimmins, executive director of the Borough Housing Authority; Roz Denard, Township Committeewoman; Mark Freda, Borough Councilman; Sue Tillett, outreach coordinator at the Senior Resource Center;

Also, Bernice Frank, a member of

the Joint Commission on Aging; Evelyn Geddes, representing the Health Commission; Fred Porter, former Township police chief and former Township Committeeman who is currently president of the local chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons; and Hunt Stockwell, a member of the Senior Resource Center board.

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## Police Investigating Possibility of Arson In Nassau St. Blaze

A general alarm fire destroyed a tour-bay garage behind George's Roasters and Ribs restaurant at 246 Nassau Street early Monday morning. The blaze left the owners of the structure with a smouldering pile of rubble, and left police with questions about the "suspicious" circumstances surrounding it.

George's Roasters and Ribs, owned by George and Emily Rousso, at Menlo Road, was closed on Tuesday. The garage had housed refrigerators and freezers holding much of the restaurant's food supply. Also lost in the fire was a stock of paper products and kitchen equipment.

According to Captain Peter Hanley, of the Borough Police, two Borough officers had just pulled up to the curb near a take-out restaurant on Nassau Street at 11:55 p.m. One of the officers got out of the car and was about to enter the restaurant when he was stopped by a passerby who reported a fire behind a nearby building.

When the two officers investigated, they found flames pouring from a dumpster near the building, and saw that the building itself was beginning to catch fire.

The call went out immediately to the Princeton Fire Department, but when the engines arrived shortly after midnight, there was little they could do but try to contain the blaze.

"It was fairly advanced on our

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## Five New Teaching Positions Push School Budget Over \$33 Million

The School Board agreed last Tuesday night to add five additional teaching positions to the 1996-97 school budget, bringing the budget's bottom line up to \$33,383,119 and the total number of newly created teaching positions up to 15.

It is estimated that the five new teaching spots will cost between \$150,000 and \$200,000. This money is being taken out of the District's reserve fund. The Board decision will not change the estimated school tax rate increase for the Borough and Township, which is expected to be about two cents per \$100 of assessed valuation.

The five new spots are contingency positions, which means they will remain undefined until they are needed. Of the 15 additional teaching positions included in the budget, 6.5 are new positions and 8.5 are contingency.

One of the major purposes of budgeting contingency positions is to help maintain class size at an acceptable level in the event of sharp increases in enrollment.

School Board policy provides for an optimum of 20 students per class in kindergarten through grade three, with a range up to 25 students

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per class; and an optimum of 25 students per class for grades four through 12, with a range up to 30.

"In speaking with many staff and community members, I have found they don't want to see class size maintained as it is," said Board member David Meadow. "Many feel classes are too large now."

**Concern About Future**

School Board member David Robbins said he was glad that resources were being applied to keep classes at the same size, but that funding the new positions through the use of surplus "seems quite a risky endeavor since we're already \$500,000 in the hole for next year and the income we have doesn't match the money we will spend."

He was referring to the State's return of the half million dollars in aid it had held back from Princeton last year as a penalty for high administrative costs. This is a one-time give-back, and will appear only in the 1996-97 budget.

"Clearly the future is uncertain," agreed Business Administrator Dan Swirsky. "We will start the next budget cycle trying to figure out where to

**Register to Vote**

New Jerseyans not currently registered to vote in their municipalities must do so by Monday, March 18, to participate in the state's annual school board election and budget referendum. The election will take place on Tuesday, April 16.

New Jersey residents can register to vote at the office of their municipal clerk or office of their county board of elections. To vote, a resident must be 18 years old, a citizen of the United States and maintain primary residence in the municipality in which he or she is seeking to vote.

Voters should also be aware of procedures to secure absentee ballots. Voters can obtain applications for absentee ballots from the office of the county clerk. Tuesday, April 9, is the last day that county clerks can receive applications for absentee ballots by mail. Monday, April 15 at 3 p.m. is the deadline for applying for an absentee ballot in person at the office of the county clerk.

Completed absentee ballots must be submitted to the county Board of Elections office before 8 p.m. on election day.

find \$500,000." He also urged the School Board to begin work early on next year's budget.

Dr. Swirsky said the administration was seeking ways to save money in non-instructional areas. He noted that use of new technology will enable the District to make its own cleaning supplies, and that this will save \$40,000.

(One wag in the audience whispered to the person sitting next to her, "Maybe they can sell them and make money.")

**Computers & Automation**

The school budget approved by the School Board last Tuesday night includes about \$260,000 in curriculum/instruction, a considerable increase from the \$58,000 budgeted last year.

This money will go in large part toward automation of the Riverside and Community Park libraries, the addition of a staffed computer lab homework center at the high school, teacher mini-grants, and the purchase of laptop computers for borrowing by students.

Included among the 15 budgeted new teaching positions are a half-time bilingual counselor at the high school, a half-time student assistance support person, and a full-time computer support position.

The budget reflects a savings of \$200,000 in staff salaries and benefits accruing from a planned restructuring of central administration. The positions to be eliminated include director of personnel, data/word processing analyst, maintenance carpenter, and bookkeeper.

An additional \$100,000 has been eliminated from the operations and maintenance budget, and another \$175,000 was cut from insurance costs. A budget hearing and adoption has been scheduled for Tuesday, March 26, at 8 p.m. in the Valley Road meeting room.

**Charged Atmosphere**

Even though Board President Candace Preston early in the Tuesday night meeting pointedly cautioned against any evaluative comments on personnel, the current controversy surrounding contract renewal for School Superintendent Marcia Bossart and High School Principal Leigh Byron was reflected in Board member Ruth Boulet's comment.

"I resent the tone of letters I have been receiving in favor of, or against, various contracts and appointments," she said. "This includes those from faculty and staff. This has led to a politically charged atmosphere in the schools."

Board member Chlara Nappi then asked that the Board draft a policy on anonymous letters, which she said were being circulated at the high school.

In other business, Marcia Wood, an activist for arts education, distributed a 1995-96 arts budget comparison among Princeton, Lawrence, and West Windsor-Plainsboro high schools. The respective school populations were shown as 903, 1100, and 1600.

The comparison showed that the choral budget per student was \$18 in Princeton, \$28 in Lawrence, and \$29 in West Windsor. The respective instrumental budgets per student were \$47, \$143, and \$93.

The number of music students was 418 in Princeton, 248 in Lawrence, and 456 in West Windsor-Plainsboro. The total music budget in the three schools, according to the comparison, was \$14,500 in Princeton, \$15,240 in Lawrence, and \$35,035 in West Windsor-Plainsboro.

**Tax-Exempts on Issue**

Later in the meeting, Dr. Swirsky discussed, with much circumspection, the question

of children connected to Princeton's three major tax-exempt institutions who attend Princeton Regional Schools, and whether some contribution should be made by these institutions to the cost of educating these students.

The three institutions are the Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton Theological Seminary, and Princeton University.

Dr. Swirsky said he did know the number of students involved, but that he did not want to disclose this while negotiations were under way. He added that he had detected a willingness on the part of all three institutions to make a different kind of contribution to the District.

"The only understanding we have is that discussions will remain private, but I think there will be a positive outcome and that there will be some change in revenue sources," he said. "It is quite clear there is a willingness to support the Board of Education. We will have to see how that plays out in the long term."

Dr. Swirsky said that he expects negotiations to be completed by the end of the school year.

—Myrna K. Bearse

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## TRENTON ROUNDUP

### 90-Day Tax Amnesty

Legislation creating a 90-day amnesty period for tax delinquents has been signed into law by Gov. Christie Whitman. Its proponents say the law will attempt to repeat a successful 1987 amnesty program that produced \$183 million in delinquent taxes.

No late fees, fines or interest payments will be imposed during the amnesty. State officials hope to collect \$80 million of an estimated \$1 billion in taxes that have gone unpaid since 1987.

The State will spend \$10 million in advertising to publicize the program.

The new law also includes a provision to allow taxpayers and businesses to put their income, corporate, and sales taxes on a credit card.

According to a spokesperson for the Department of Treasury, the State still has not worked out a deal over who will pay the transaction fee with the credit card companies.

### Limiting Lawsuits

Legislation to limit "frivolous" lawsuits by prison inmates has been approved by the State Assembly. The bill permits forfeiture of work credits if a lawsuit was filed that disrupts the institution or retaliates against another person.

The Senate approved the bill last month, and it now goes to Gov. Whitman for consideration. The Governor said last week that she supported the proposal but had to be careful again about constitutional provisions.

She vetoed a similar law in January.

### Aid Cut-Off to Drug Users

The Assembly has given unanimous approval to a measure that would suspend welfare to many single adults who are convicted of drug offenses.

Those convicted of a drug offense a second time would be barred from general public assistance unless they demonstrate that they are seeking treatment for substance abuse.

The General Assistance program makes welfare payments to single adults. The larger welfare program, Aid to Families With Dependent Children, would not be affected by the bill.

### Toll Pinn on Hold

An Assembly panel has placed on hold legislation to authorize an electronic toll system on the State's three toll roads. The decision was made to permit an Assembly committee to gather more information on how much the change would cost and how well a similar system had worked in New York.

The panel also wants to look at the system's impact on toll collector jobs.

The legislation on hold would require the State's three toll road authorities, which oversee the Garden State Parkway, the New Jersey Turnpike, and the Atlantic City Expressway, to coordinate with New York and Pennsylvania to help set up the system.

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advised that a trellis would be "an attractive nuisance" that invites children to climb on it.

Mr. Applequist said that he had incorporated the sloped roof idea in other ways, namely the addition of a small brick enclosure on the roof for the exhaust louver which would have a sloped roof; a sloped roof on the southeast stair tower, and sloped roof members seemed to like the elements over the garage improvements Mr. Applequist entrances and exits to identify made (Michael Giardino said them more clearly. He said they represented "great that there was disagreement progress" and Hanan Isaacs between Mr. Ford and Ms. called them "an extremely Fichtenbaum about the use of good improvement"). Mr. brick, the color of the brick Ford and Ms. Fichtenbaum

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thought otherwise. "As far as pointed out that the vegetation I am concerned, they [the site] is shown in full summer Medical Center] haven't bloom and therefore deceived addressed one of our concerns of what the garage will look like in winter. The

He spoke of the many different changes are minimalist, different approaches that are available to an architect but don't come close to our complained that in this case sketch or the ideas we raised no changes had been made, the Medical Center "had We expected a dialogue, a merely redoubled its efforts to push this through." "We're she continued. "Instead there really very disappointed," he has been a complete lack of communication." She accused

Mr. Isaacs told him he appreciated the work he and Ms. Fichtenbaum did in "pushing as hard and as long as you did. People can differ on aesthetics," Mr. Isaacs went on. "Some of your ideas were good. It was a matter of whether the hospital had reached a threshold of acceptability."

**Changes Minimalistic**  
Ms. Fichtenbaum called the model "a distraction" and

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Mr. Isaacs also complimented her on the energy, she had brought to the whole project and told her she could take some pride in the final result.

Virginia Kerr, an attorney, asked, one more time, whether the building could be notched to allow a tall pine oak tree to be saved. Consultants differ as to whether the pine oak would survive even if the building was notched five or seven feet she requested. She also asked for an increase in the initial size of the trees that are to be planted to shield the garage from the neighborhood. She also asked whether cars on the upper tier would be visible.

Mr. Applequist said that cars on the existing garage

are visible to a passerby because of a sloped ramp but said he doubted cars on the upper tier of the new garage would be visible because the floor is level.

At this point Ivan Bash, Zoning Board attorney, read language from the Township Zoning Code book to the effect that "full responsibility for the design [of a building] shall be retained by the applicant." Mr. Bash pointed out that zoning and planning boards properly review matters of public safety and welfare, but, as he put it, "It is not up to this board to redesign [the garage] for them."

### Extra 10 Miles

The board then voted to go into "deliberative session," with no more comments from the public. Mr. Isaacs complimented the Medical Center for being willing to go as far as it did and he complimented members of the neighbors



TRAPPED: Rescue workers needed more than an hour to free Ricardo Moore from the wreckage of a 1989 Nissan Thursday night. Mr. Moore lost control of the vehicle on University Place, jumping the curb and crashing into a tree.

group for having made the road before crashing into a Medical Center go the "extra mile." The force of the crash threw the vehicle's headlights several yards from the scene of the collision and burst the car's tires.

Michael Giardino said the changes had gone a long way in improving the appearance of the garage, which he said "is going to be considered not unsuccessful" when it is built. He said the scaling back, the major changes made as part of the variance application, had done "a world of good."

Victoria Bergman, Zoning Board chair, thanked the applicant for the detailed extra work, the public for its input, and the staff and consultants for their work. She called for a vote on the motion, made by Mr. Isaacs, to grant final site plan approval with the 41 conditions.

—Barbara L. Johnson

### Rescuers Free Man From Crumpled Car

Rescue workers from the Princeton First Aid and Rescue Squad needed more than an hour of work with the "Jaws of life" to free an East Windsor man from his wrecked car last Thursday.

According to police, 21-year-old Ricardo Moore was driving a 1989 Nissan Sentra down University Place at approximately 6:40 p.m. when he lost control of the car.

The Sentra crossed the center line, then jumped the curb on the opposite side of the

Mr. Moore was conscious throughout the rescue operation. When workers finally freed him, he was taken by helicopter to the trauma center at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New Brunswick.

He was treated for lacerations to the head, inflicted when he struck the windshield. He also suffered serious leg injuries as a result of being crushed by the collapsing front end of the car.

As of Tuesday afternoon, Mr. Moore was listed in fair condition; his condition had been considered critical on Thursday night.

### Teenage Girl Assaulted On University Place

A 17-year-old girl was beaten and robbed outside the Wawa on University Place between 9:45 and 11 p.m. Monday night, said Borough Police.

The victim, a resident of Langhorne, Pa., had apparently just walked out of the store when she was attacked by two other females. They struck and kicked her repeatedly before taking her purse, which she told police contained \$150 in cash.

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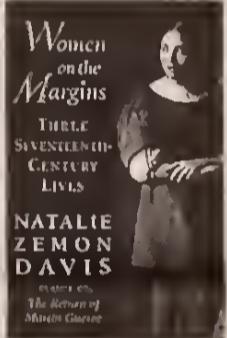
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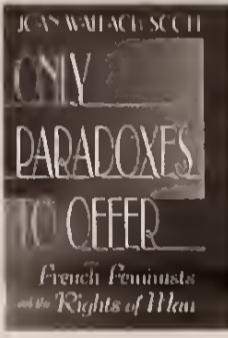
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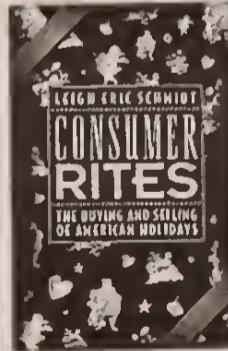
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**STUDY IN BLACK AND WHITE AND GRAY:** Town Topics' photographer Brian McCarthy, who has been taking snow pictures about every other week since November, looked upward for inspiration last week and shot the canopy of snow-covered trees on Hodge Road Saturday afternoon.

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Police were not informed of the assault until the victim appeared at the Medical Center at Princeton. She transported herself to the hospital, where she was treated for contusions, abrasions, and a broken nose.

Police are looking for four possible suspects. The two females who assaulted the victim, and two males who accompanied them.

One of the females is described as white and in her late teens. The second is black and is described only as being tall and thin.

In the company of the two females were a heavyset Asian man believed to be approximately 20 years old, and a white male with brown hair who stands approximately 5'10".

Police report that they have a single witness to the crime. The assault began in front of the Wawa and moved to the parking lot at the side of the building.

After the victim's pocketbook was taken, police believe that it was, at least at one point, in the possession of one of the male suspects.

Police are continuing to investigate the matter. "It is too early in the investigation to have all the details," said Police Captain Peter Hanley.

## Cops Report Flasber In the Public Library

A female patron of the Public Library was the victim of a flasher on Thursday. According to police, the 31-year-old victim was browsing in the

book stacks at 8:30 p.m. attended and returned to find when she turned around and it missing.

He had unzipped his pants, and was exposing himself to her.

The man did not speak to the victim, and quickly left the area. Police said that the victim called them shortly after the incident, but when they arrived and searched the area, they could not find any suspects.

The victim described the flasher as a white male, approximately 25 years of age. He stands approximately 5'11", weighs between 160 and 180 pounds, and has short brown hair. He wore blue jeans and a dark-colored jacket.

A Nassau Street drugstore reported the theft of approximately \$360 worth of painkillers, primarily Advil. Police were contacted by a store manager who noticed that the pills were missing while conducting an inventory.

The theft must have occurred between 9 a.m. on February 23 and 3 p.m. on February 27.

A female University student reported the theft of a wallet from the coatroom at the Cottage Club on Prospect Avenue.

The wallet contained a driver's license, University I.D., three credit cards, and \$60 in cash.

A Dell brand laptop computer valued at \$7,000 was stolen from the Nassau Inn's Colonial Room between 1:50 and 3 p.m. on Wednesday.

The victim, who was participating in a conference, apparently left the computer un-

of pants, \$30 in cash, his wallet, credit cards, and driver's license.

In an act of criminal mischief, someone shattered the driver's window of a 1990 Volkswagen that was left parked in the Tulane West parking lot.

The window was broken between 5 p.m. on Wednesday and 9 a.m. on Thursday. No damage estimate was available.

A male University student reported the theft of a Filofax organizer, an I.D. card, and \$20 in cash from a Firestone Library study carrel. The theft took place between 8:30 a.m. and 5:45 p.m. on February 26.

In Borough court this week, Brian Formento, of 166 Stockton Street, was fined \$100 for failure to comply with snow removal statutes.

Jonathan March, of 27 Chestnut Street, was fined \$700 and received a conditional discharge for possession of a controlled dangerous substance.

Michael Elowitz, of 29 Vandeventer Avenue, was fined \$225 and had his license to drive revoked for six months for leaving the scene of an accident.

Michael Quaglieni, of Salem

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## With Old Snowfall Record Shattered, Remaining Precipitation Just Gravy

New York City glowed in this weekend's snowfall. The 4.6 inches that fell in Central Park pushed Gotham's winter of 1995-96 (66.3 inches total) into first place on the list of all-time snowiest winters, and gave rise to extensive media coverage.

The New York Times went so far as to interview the National Weather Service's man-in-Central-Park, who sticks a ruler in the snow to determine the official measurement. On NBC, a reporter doing a stand-up outside the Rockefeller Center Studio stuck his finger in the fallen snow and announced that it was about two inches deep and had probably broken the record. The surrounding crowd erupted as though it was VJ-Day.

Meanwhile, in Central New Jersey, nobody paid much attention. The latest snowfall, which brought the total in New Brunswick to 68.6 inches, was just a bit of fluffy white icing on the cake. The old record of 58.9 inches, set in 1960-61, was left in the dust back on February 16.

"This winter didn't just sneak past the record," said State Climatologist Dave Robinson. "It's passed the old mark by nearly 10 inches, and we'll probably be adding to it later in the week."

Dr. Robinson indicated that, with minor variations in total from town to town, the New Brunswick measurements should apply to most of this part of the state. "This is no puny record," he said Monday. "We have records that go back to the winter of 1893-94."

New Jersey and New York City are not alone in setting new records, says Dr. Robinson. "The I-95 corridor, from Washington to Providence, has broken seasonal snowfall records. Boston hasn't made it yet, he adds, but the winter isn't over yet."

Dr. Robinson, a full professor in the Rutgers University geography department, has studied snowfall on a global scale, and this winter does not, he insists, represent the beginning, or continuation of a pattern of severe winters. "There is no trend. We have records going back more than a century, and we see no trend toward increasing frequency of storms or toward greater snows."

Asked if this is the sort of weather activity that brings joy to a climatologist's heart, Dr. Robinson gave a qualified affirmative. "Occasionally, I admit to it being enjoyable," he said, but quickly added that even climatologists have to drive in the snow and shovel sidewalks. What's more, he says, they have to answer the phone.

Filling the position of State Climatologist, which he does on a part time basis, has led Dr. Robinson to start counting more than just inches of snow. He now counts reporters, too.

On Monday, he wearily related those numbers as well. "You're the 185th reporter to call me this winter. And the fifth today."

—Rob Garver

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Court, was fined \$85 for speeding.

### Township Police

Princeton Township police reported that two cars were burglarized in the parking lot near the Princeton University boathouse on Faculty Road.

A backpack, a wallet, and a laptop computer, with a combined value of \$2,280, were stolen from a 1989 Volvo. A backpack and a wallet, with a combined value of \$67, were stolen from a 1985 Volvo.

In both cases, the thief smashed through the back window of the car involved. The burglaries took place on February 27, between 4:10 and 6:30 p.m.

A 1989 Ford Taurus was stolen from a Springdale Road driveway between 5:30 p.m. on Saturday and 7:50 a.m. the next morning.

Police believe that the \$5,000 car had been left unlocked with the keys inside.

A cellular phone valued at \$250 was stolen from a 1994 Mitsubishi left parked on Lovers Lane between 11 p.m. on Saturday and 11 a.m. Sunday. Police had no further information on the theft.

On a lighter note, Township resident Roslyn Dayan, who thought her purse had been stolen, was pleasantly surprised to find it returned.

While shopping with a friend in Davidson's, Ms. Dayan realized that she did not

## Book Signing Scheduled Plus Bluegrass Band

Richard D. Smith, author of *Bluegrass: An Informal Guide*, will have a signing at Encore Books & Music, Princeton Shopping Center, on Friday evening, March 8, from 7 to 8:30. This is the rescheduling of an event originally canceled due to bad weather.

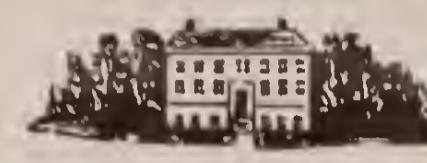
Performing live examples of this lively American music will be an all-star bluegrass band featuring Flying Fish Records' artists Barry Mitterhoff (mandolin) and Danny Weiss (guitar and lead vocals) plus Terry McGill (banjo) and Greg Vongass (bass).

*Bluegrass: An Informal Guide* is a survey from genre founder Bill Monroe to modern superstar Alison Krauss. Major bands, regional styles, gospel, the music's roots and the best of overseas bluegrass are covered, with more than 500 recommended CDs listed.

Mr. Smith is a journalist in the Princeton area. For the past 15 years, he has been a staff writer/reviewer for *Bluegrass Unlimited* magazine. He may be contacted at 924-4647.

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## Reduction in Salary Of Civil Rights Head Seen in '96 Budget

A budget summary released by the Borough on Tuesday shows a 1996 salary expenditure for the Joint Civil Rights Department of \$8,760. This compares with a 1995 salary expenditure of \$33,691.

Civil Rights, along with a number of other joint departmental budgets, was scheduled to be discussed at a meeting of Borough Council and Township Committee scheduled for Tuesday night, March 5.

The recommendation to cut the salary budget by two-thirds appears to call into question the future of Ovie Lattimore, the embattled civil rights director.

The Department has been criticized in the past several months by members of Borough Council for its lack of direction. In addition, Mr. Lattimore's filing of a bias complaint against the Regional School District was questioned last week by Councilman Roger Martindell, who said Mr. Lattimore had consulted neither with the two Princetons nor with members of the Civil Rights Commission.

Reached Tuesday afternoon, Mr. Lattimore said he was unaware of the budget recommendation. "I guess I'll find out this evening at the joint budget hearing," he said, adding, "This could be interesting."

Mayor Marvin Reed noted that Mr. Lattimore was no longer handling the duties of acting welfare director, duties he assumed in February of last year. Hedwig Feit last week was named director of welfare for the Borough and Township.

The Mayor suggested that the removal of the welfare responsibility from Mr. Lattimore was a reason for reducing the salary budget for the Civil Rights Department. He said the civil rights director might work at less than full time, or that the entire department might be restructured.

A decision on this was expected to be made at the Tuesday night joint meeting.

### Two Major Budgets

Two major joint operating budgets also scheduled for discussion Tuesday night were the Public Library and the Recreation Department.

The Library's total 1996 operating budget is \$1,479,674, up from \$1,427,488 last year. Cost sharing is 69 percent Township, 31 percent Borough. These figures are based on the amount of ratables in each of the two municipalities.

The library is seeking to add two staff positions. Borough Administrator Tom Shannon said that, as the library emerges as an electronics operation, it needs people on staff who have technical and electronic experience.

An increase of nearly \$50,000 is shown for the Recreation Department, to \$498,585. This department, too, is requesting an additional staff person — an entry-level employee to help with

### Grammy Award Winner John Popper of Blues Traveler Offers Encouragement to Another PHS Choir Member

Blues Traveler, the popular rock band composed of four Princeton High School graduates, has won its first Grammy. It took the award in the category of "Rock, Duo or Group."

John Popper, who graduated from the high school in 1986, does lead vocals, plays the harmonica, and writes the songs. The other band members are Bobby Sheehan, Brendan Hill, and Chan Kinchla.

Blues Traveler has from time to time returned to its Princeton roots, playing concerts at Community Park North and the high school. Last year, John Popper found an additional way to keep alive his emotional connection with the town by reaching out to a Princeton High School student who had been badly injured in an automobile accident in January 1995.

Several years earlier, John too had been seriously hurt in a motorcycle crash. His recuperation was long, and when he visited Megan Maher's Borough home last June, he talked to her and her friends about what had happened to him.

Megan, who like John had been a member of the high school Choir, was still in a wheelchair. John spent an entire Saturday afternoon at Megan's home, not leaving until the early evening. He sang song after song requested by Megan and her friends. These were the friends, almost all of them fellow students at Princeton High School, who had sat in a vigil for months at the hospital after Megan's accident, while she was in a coma, and who never lost hope that she would recover.

When John wasn't singing, he was talking to Megan and encouraging her to walk. He, too, had been unable to walk for a long time after his accident, and had spent many months in rehabilitation.

After he left, he sent tee shirts and CDs to Megan and her friends, as well as backstage tickets for The Blues Travelers' New Year's Eve concert in New York City.

When Megan couldn't go because she had the flu, he wrote her a letter, continuing to root her on.

Megan Maher is walking now, and she is back at the high school taking two classes. John Popper and Megan Maher, who are alike in their courage and force of spirit, remain in touch.

John Popper wrote this in Megan's high school yearbook.

"I am very proud of you for surviving. It was the force of your will that got you here and will carry you the rest of the way."

management of the surprise audiences with audacious stagings that remain faithful to the music.

The Fire Department, which is now funded 58 percent by the Township and 42 percent by the Borough, is seeking an increase in its operating budget of about \$13,000, to \$165,508. The First Aid Squad budget is virtually the same as last year, \$103,305, but the Environmental Commission is asking for an increase from \$1,594 last year to \$3,185 for 1996.

This is the first scheduled meeting to discuss joint budgets. A second meeting will take place Monday night, March 11, in Township Hall.

—Myra K. Bearse

### Director Peter Sellars To Speak at Princeton

Peter Sellars, the innovative theater and opera director, whom Newsweek has called "the most outrageously exciting director on the American stage," will be the Belknap Visitor in the Humanities, Mr. Sellars joins a distinguished tradition of eminent writers and artists, including Robertson Davies, Eudora Welty, Nadine Gordimer, Isaac Bashevis Singer, Roy Lichtenstein and Frank Stella, who have come to Princeton through a program created in memory of Chauncey Belknap of the Class of 1912.

### Applicants Sought For Citizenship Award

Mercer Street Friends is seeking applicants for the Harold H. Perry Youth Citizenship Award. The award, which offers an eight-week summer internship with the agency and a stipend of up to \$1,500, is presented annually to a high school student to recognize and promote involvement by young people with their community. An applicant must be 16 to 18 years of age; have a record of volunteer service; and demonstrated leadership ability.

During the course of the summer, the Harold H. Perry Intern works with clients and staff at the Mercer Street Friends Adult Day Care Center, Children's Day Care Center, Food Cooperative and Summer Camp program.

Applications may be obtained by calling Mercer Street Friends, Volunteer Coordinator, 396-1506. The submission deadline is April 15.

Harold H. Perry, who passed away in 1987, served on the board of trustees of Mercer Street Friends for 30 years and was chairman from 1958 to 1974. The award was established in 1984, in his honor, to encourage high school youth to participate more fully in their community as volunteers or as potential professionals.

Prior recipients attended Lawrenceville High School, Notre Dame High School, Princeton Day School, Trenton Central High School, and West Windsor-Plainsboro High School. They have gone on to attend Harvard University, Cal Tech, Douglass College, University of Michigan and Rutgers College.

### Biodiversity of Ocean Topic of Tea and Talk

The next in the Friends of Princeton Open Space Tea and Talk programs will be a slide talk by J. Frederick Grassle, director of the Institute for Marine and Coastal Sciences at Rutgers University. The talk, "Notes from the Abyss: Biodiversity on the Ocean Floor," will be given Sunday, March 10 at 3 in Mountain Lakes House on the Mountain Lakes Preserve.

Dr. Grassle is also director

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As an undergraduate at Harvard, he directed a King Lear in which a Lincoln Continental, symbol of Lear's power, was dismantled in the course of each performance. Since then, as director of the Boston Shakespeare Company, the American National Theater at the Kennedy Center and the Los Angeles Festival, he has continued to

Michael Cary is the new head, as the article stated. Mr. Jordan has been serving as interim head.



**PDS SCHOLARSHIP DONORS:** Andy and Laurie Okun, at left, have recently given Princeton Day School a gift that will underwrite the cost of an entire upper school education, to be awarded to a deserving student who could not otherwise afford to attend. The Okuns have no connection to the school but after investigating charitable organizations decided that funding a scholarship would make a direct impact in helping children obtain a better education. Meeting Lila Lohr, right, head of PDS, and knowing people who send their children to the school helped them chose PDS.

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of the Middle Atlantic Bight National Undersea Research Center and an adjunct scientist at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution. He is the author of many scientific publications on deep-sea fauna. His research, including work done off the New Jersey coast, has revealed a hitherto unknown diversity of life at the bottom of the sea.

Tea will follow the talk. The program is free and all are welcome.

### Consolidation Comm. Hires Architectural Firm

The architectural firm of Kehrt Shatken Sharon has been engaged by the Consolidation Study Commission to assist the Commission's studies of the possible location and cost of facilities for a united Princeton if consolidation were recommended by the Commission and approved by the voters of the Borough and Township.

The Kehrt Shatken Sharon firm will complement the work on the facilities for consolidated administrative offices and police and public works departments being done by Dan Mason of the firm of Jersey Professional Management, whose engagement the Commission announced a week ago.

Working with the Commission and with Mason, the architectural consultants will identify site plan options to accommodate the consolidated administrative and police functions of a united Princeton; determine the feasibility of these options in programmatic and site planning terms; and develop estimates of probable construction cost for one or more options to allow the Commission to understand how consolidated facilities might reduce the need for capital spending that is currently forecast by the Borough and Township.

Donald Stokes, co-chair of the Commission, noted that "the Kehrt Shatken Sharon firm has had extensive experience with the design of municipal facilities; we're delighted it was prepared to discount its ordinary rates to undertake this public service assignment for a fee of \$5,500."

Allan Kehrt, one of the firm's partners, said that "for 13 years our firm has had its office in Princeton, which is our home; we're very excited about taking on this project." The firm is located on Witherspoon Street.

### Observations Planned For Comet Hyakutake

On Friday evenings, March 15, 22 and 29, from 7:30 to 9, the New Jersey State Museum Planetarium will offer a special sky show and observation session in honor of Comet Hyakutake's appearance in the night sky. Admission is free on a first-come, first-served basis (maximum: 140 people).

On clear nights, a short planetarium sky show about comets, current night sky sights, and other astronomy topics will be presented at 7:30 at the Planetarium. Then participants will travel to the Amateur Astronomer Association of Princeton's Simpson Observatory at Washington Crossing State Park to observe Comet Hyakutake, which was discov-

### PPPL Bomb Scare Evacuates Complex

As TOWN TOPICS went to press on Tuesday night, officials at the Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory in Plainsboro had evacuated staff members from the complex due to a bomb scare.

According to spokesman Tony DeMeo, a suspicious package was discovered in the mailroom on Tuesday afternoon. The package failed preliminary tests performed on all suspicious packages, and the evacuation of lab personnel was undertaken as a precaution.

According to a PPPL employee, an announcement came over the intercom informing employees to get their coats and meet in the parking lot. "This is not a drill," it said. One source reported that the package had an Iranian postmark.

Mr. DeMeo reported that as of 5:30 p.m. PPPL security personnel and Plainsboro Police officers were awaiting the arrival of a State Police bomb squad.

ered on January 30, 1996 by Yuji Hyakutake in Japan. Participants must provide their own transportation to the observatory. On cloudy nights, a full-length planetarium sky show will be offered instead of the observation session.

According to Richard Peery, assistant curator of astronomy education at the State Museum, Comet Hyakutake will be 10 million miles from Earth on March 25, which is actually quite close. Its position will be rapidly changing in the sky, making the comet's movement visible to sky watchers during the course of the evening.

The New Jersey State Museum and its Planetarium are located at 205 West State Street in Trenton.

### Playwriting Course At McCarter Theatre

McCarter Theatre's Training Wing will offer an eight-week playwriting course this spring for adults age 18 and up. Registration closes Monday, March 18.

Taught by Jeffrey MacCuloch, a professional playwright, the course will meet on Thursdays from 6:30 to 9:30 from March 21 through May 16, with no class on April 4. Designed for students of all experience levels, the course will introduce playwriting as a means of storytelling. Through spoken word, improvisation and writing exercises, each student will address character, story structure, action, theme and resolution with the first draft of an original play — either a one act or a first draft of a full-length play ready for further development.

For more information call McCarter Outreach at 683-9100, extension 6166.

### Jump Rope for Heart At John Witherspoon

Students from John Witherspoon Middle School will jump into the fight against heart disease on March 19, 20, and 21 as they participate in Jump Rope for Heart. The event is sponsored by the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (AAHPERD) and local physical education

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### Woodcock Watch At Watershed Reserve

Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed Association and the Washington Crossing Audubon Society will co-sponsor a woodcock watch program for families and adults on Wednesday, March 13, at 6 p.m.

The program will feature a walk, hoping to observe male woodcocks or "timberdoodles" perform their highly unusual courtship flight to impress the female of the species. Participants will learn about the life of the woodcock, a harbinger of spring.

The program is free, but pre-registration is necessary and enrollment is limited. For further information or to register call the Education Office, 737-7592.

### Table for Drumthwacket Has Been Commissioned

The Drumthwacket Foundation, through a grant from the J. Seward Johnson Sr. Charitable Trusts, has commissioned Mark Reed Furniture Restoration and Conservation of Bordentown to design and build a center table for the mansion's music room.

The round table has book-matched crotch walnut segments on its top with maple and walnut line inlay and burled walnut center and outer segments. Crossbandings on the top are of osage orange and walnut. All woods

### Rummage Sale

Trinity Church, 33 Mercer Street, will hold its traditional March Rummage Sale on Saturday, March 16, from 9 to 3:30 and Sunday, March 17, from 12:30 to 3:30.

Free numbered admission tickets for the sale will be distributed at the Pierce Hall (Mercer Street) entrance, beginning at 7 a.m. on Saturday. On Sunday, all items with the exception of boutique items are at half price. From 2:30 to 3:30 p.m., shoppers may fill a bag with clothes for \$3.

This bargain bonanza features fine clothes for everyone, better women's dresses, small appliances, furs, toys, household goods, furniture, linens, sports items, as well as a boutique showcasing antiques, sterling pieces, gold jewelry, porcelain, crystal, collectibles, and a myriad of other "finds."

Monies raised by the sale finance Trinity Church's outreach programs, including Trinity Counseling Service, the Trenton Soup Kitchen, and the Trenton After-School Program.

used in the table-top are native to New Jersey.

The table is the focal point of Drumthwacket's neoclassic music room, and is the first new piece of furniture commissioned for the house. Drumthwacket was built in 1835 and became the official residence of New Jersey's governors in 1981.

The home features 18th-century furnishings, with an emphasis on the acquisition of New Jersey pieces. It is home to the Matthew Egerton Collection of 18th-century New Jersey furniture pieces, which includes a tallcase clock, two Pembroke tables, a sideboard and more.

Drumthwacket is open to the public every Wednesday between noon and 2 p.m. A special Twilight Tour Open House will be held on March 13 from 5:30 to 7:30. Call 683-0057 for tour information.

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### Witherspoon School Reunion Planned

Students who attended Witherspoon School on Quarry Street through the year 1948 are invited to an organizational meeting at Witherspoon Presbyterian Church from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, March 24.

At this meeting, plans will be made for a school reunion to be held this fall. Ideas, suggestions and participation will be welcome.

A light buffet will be served. A free-will offering will be asked of those who attend and of others who wish to donate.

For additional information call Eva Redding, 683-0173, or Buster Thomas, 883-6830.

### Financial Planning For Divorce" Workshop

A "Financial Planning for Divorce" workshop, sponsored by Capital Planning Advisory Group and Aequus Associates, 711 Executive

Drive, will take place from 7 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday, March 27. It is limited to 10 people. Cost is \$15.

For registration and information, call 921-3017 or 297-0015.

### Colloquium at Rider Set On Women's Studies

Rider University will hold its 14th annual Women's Studies Colloquium on Thursday, March 28, in the Student Center Fireside Lounge from 11:30 to 6 p.m. All programs are free and open to the public.

The day begins with a keynote address by Barbara Omolade, professor of sociology at the City College of New York's Worker Education center, at 11:30 a.m. Her topic will be "Odyssey: An Activist's Personal View of the Women's Movement: Where We've Been and Where We're Headed."

Prof. Omolade is an activist-scholar and author of *The Rising Song of African American Women*.

Following the keynote address there will be three sessions of presentations of student papers. Each session will be moderated by a women's studies student at Rider.

"Questionable Reforms" will be moderated by Barbara Brubaker of Plainsboro, a senior liberal studies major, from 1:10 to 2:10. "Men's Dreams, Women's Nightmares" will be moderated by Jennifer Boote of Lawrenceville from 2:20 to 3:20. A session on Zora Neal Hurston and Alice Walker will be held from 3:30 to 4:30.

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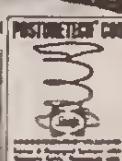
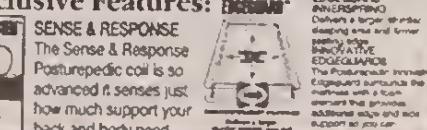
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"Women Speak Up for Themselves" will be moderated by Allison Zipf of Jamesburg from 4:40 to 5:30.

Following the student paper presentations, the Bernice Ziegler-Sadie Gee Woman of the Year Award will be presented to Dr. Phyllis M. Frakt of Pennington, formerly of Princeton, vice-president for academic affairs and provost, at 5:30 p.m. The award is presented annually to a female member of the Rider University staff, faculty, or administration who has most effectively created a positive image for women at Rider and thereby contributed to the effort to elevate the status of all women.

### Lecture by Scientist At Princeton University

Dr. John P. Holdren will inaugurate the 1996 Evin Lec- ture Series at Princeton University with a talk entitled, "Scientists, Technologists and the Human Condition: Reflections on Some Ethical Dilemmas and Choices."

The lecture, the first in a series on "Science and Ethics," will be held on Monday, March 11 at 7:30 in Dodds Auditorium. Dr. Holdren is the Class of 1935 Professor of Energy in the Energy & Resources Group at the University of California, Berkeley.

Dr. Holdren earned bachelor's and master's degrees from MIT in aeronautics and astronautics and the Ph.D. from Stanford University in aeronautics and theoretical plasma physics in 1970. He is the author of some 275 articles and reports on plasma physics, fusion energy technology, energy and resource options in industrial and developing countries, global environmental problems, impacts of population growth, ballistic-missile technology and international security and arms control.

He has also co-authored and co-edited 13 books on these topics.

In the 1970s and 1980s, he helped lead national studies

of the U.S. energy future and of the safety, environmental and economic characteristics of fusion and fission reactors. In the 1990s, he has chaired major studies for the U.S. government on the disposition of surplus plutonium from nuclear weapons, on the future of U.S. fusion energy research and on the joint U.S.-Russian programs to protect nuclear weapon materials.

Dr. Holdren has received many awards, including the MacArthur Foundation Prize Fellowship in 1981, the Volvo Environment Prize which he shared with Paul Ehrlich in 1993, and the Forum Award of the American Physical Society in 1994.

The lecture will be addressed to a lay audience and is open to the general public. There will be a short reception immediately following the lecture in the George P. Schultz dining room of the Woodrow Wilson School.

### County Chamber Head Irish-American of the Year

Edward F. Meara III, president of the Mercer County Chamber of Commerce, will be honored as Irish-American of the Year by the Friendly Sons and Daughters of St. Patrick at its 10th annual dinner, Thursday, March 14. The black-tie event will take place in the ballroom of the Hyatt Regency Princeton, starting with a reception at 6.

In the 1970s and 1980s, he helped lead national studies



John P. Holdren  
Edward F. Meara III

While celebrating St. Patrick's Day, the Friendly Sons and Daughters of St. Patrick of Mercer County also celebrate the accomplishments of an outstanding Irish-American who has demonstrated profound commitment and service to the community. Mr. Meara has distinguished himself throughout his 25 years of service as the president of the Mercer County Chamber of Commerce, growing the organization into a regional network with more than 1,000 members.

Mr. Meara was an early and staunch advocate of the economic and social efficiency of the public/private partnership. His son was in a near fatal car accident, and the Meara family have asked that the majority of this year's dinner proceeds go to the St. Lawrence Rehabilitation Center, where his son spent considerable time, and to PACE, an organization dedicated to the successful treatment of head and neck trauma.

Former Gov. Brendan T. Byrne is master of ceremonies for the dinner, which is chaired by John J. O'Gorman and co-chaired by John J. Morris and Stephen H. O'Connor. Music will be by Willie Lynch.

Individual tickets are \$150 each. Tables of 10 are available for \$1,500. For additional information call Celeste A. Batuk at 987-3455. The deadline for reservations is Friday, March 8.

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**AT THE WEAVER'S TRADE:** Mariko Hiraguri will have a show of her weavings on Monday, March 18, from 1 to 5 at the Princeton YWCA. The show is sponsored by the YWCA Artisan's Guild.

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### Weaving Show Planned At Princeton YWCA

The Princeton YWCA Artisans Guild and English-as-a-Second-Language Department will co-sponsor a show of weavings by Japanese weaver Makiko Hiraguri on Monday, March 18, from 1 to 5 at the Princeton YWCA, Paul Robeson Place.

Currently living in Princeton, Ms. Hiraguri studied weaving in Brussels and has been weaving since 1983. Last December she was featured in a group exposition of tapestries in Tokyo. She has explored both Swedish and Japanese techniques and will show runners, table mats, rugs, wall hangings, scarves, and blankets.

For further information, call 497-2121.

### Girls' Softball Program Taking Registration

The Girls' Softball Association is accepting registration for the 1996 spring program.

Registration forms are available at the Recreation Department, 380 Witherpoon Street. Office hours are 9 to 5 weekdays. There will also be an in-person registration session on Saturday, March 9, from 9 to noon at the Recreation Department.

The softball program is open to girls who live within the geographical boundaries of Princeton and who are between the ages of 8 and 15, by August 1, 1996. Teams will be divided so that 8-, 9-, and 10-year-olds are together, 11- and 12-year-olds in another group, and 13- to 15-year-olds in another.

This year the Softball Association has become affiliated with the Princeton Youth Baseball Association and will

take part in the Girls' Softball Little League program. The Princeton teams will play surrounding community softball teams involved in this program. In doing so, the Princeton teams will have more game-playing opportunities against teams in similar age categories from surrounding towns.

For more information call Jim Brooks at 921-1815.

### "Computer Day" Set At Hopewell Valley H.S.

The Hopewell Valley Foundation will hold "Computers in the Community Day" on March 9 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Hopewell Valley Central High School, Pennington-Titusville Road, Pennington. The event is free of charge and the public is welcome to attend. They will learn how computers are used in occupations such as home buying, law enforcement, publishing, automotive repair, weather studies, and many other subject areas.

At Computer Day, the public can also see how stockbrokers use computers, see PC lab automation being run by a researcher, learn about scientific literature searches and chemical analysis with computers, see how simulated brain surgery can be done on computers, or enjoy a relaxing game of golf on a Macintosh.

### Waldorf Education Is Topic of Lecture

The Waldorf School will present "Reverence and Religion in Waldorf Education," a public lecture given by René Querido on Tuesday, March 12, at 7:30 p.m. at the school's Penn's Neck campus.

Mr. Querido, teacher, lecturer and author, is the former director of Rudolf Steiner College in Fair Oaks, Calif. Born and educated in Europe, he lectures around the world on a variety of cultural, historical and educational subjects. As a master teacher and director of teacher training, he has been involved in Waldorf education since 1949 as a teacher, faculty chairman, founder and

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advisor to Waldorf schools both in the United States and Europe.

The Penn's Neck campus is located in the community building of the Princeton Baptist church at 261 Washington Road, Princeton Junction. Suggested donation is \$5 for the lecture.

For further information call 466-1970.

### Award-Winning Author To Discuss His Memoir

Andre Aciman, winner of the 1995 Whiting Writer's Award, will discuss and sign his memoir, *Out of Egypt*, on Wednesday, March 13, at 8 p.m. at Borders Books & Music in Nassau Park Shopping Center.

Prof. Aciman teaches French literature at Princeton University. *Out of Egypt*, his first book, is an animated account of his childhood in Alexandria. It chronicles the exploits of his flamboyant Jewish family from their bold arrival in Egypt at the turn of the century to its defeated exodus three generations later.

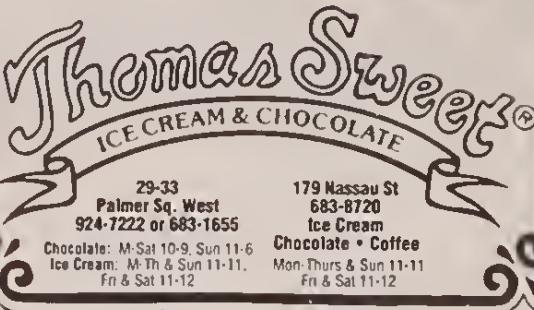
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# Jasna Polana Golf Course Receives Planning Board Site Plan Approval

The Planning Board voted unanimously last week to grant preliminary and final site plan approval for the construction of an 18-hole championship golf course at Jasna Polana. The approval includes conditional use approval and grants all the waivers and variances requested by the applicant, Mrs. Barbara Piasecka Johnson.

The hearing last Thursday was the sixth on this particular application. The Township staff had prepared a 12-page list of general site questions, most of which the applicant had agreed to or had proposed a resolution of the issues, to which the staff had concurred. The only real sticking point was the length of a proposed walking trail along the Stony Brook and how wide an easement the applicant should grant to accommodate the trail.

The applicant had agreed initially to provide an eight-foot wide easement along the border of the property along Stony Brook. The board and the staff wanted the easement extended to Route 206 to provide a link with the Township-owned "historic overlook" open space on the other side of the highway. The Friends of Princeton Open Space proposed that the easement also be extended in the other direction along the property edge to Province Line Road. The applicant was also asked to make the easement 15 feet wide instead of eight.

"This is a very, very difficult issue for us and for you," Christopher Baker, attorney for Mrs. Johnson, said when the matter of the walking path easement was brought up for final disposition. He told the board flatly that the extension to Province Line Road was not acceptable to the applicant. He cited the work the golf course consultants had put in to develop individual landscape screening plans with the neighbors. He also said that a path in that area, which is right next to the 7th, 8th and 9th fairways, would have a severe adverse effect on the golf course.

After public comment was closed, Maren Penick moved approval of the site plan with all variances, all conditions as outlined by the staff, the various monitoring plans that have been agreed to, and a extension to Province Line 15-foot wide walking path Road was not acceptable to the applicant. He cited the work the golf course consultants had put in to develop individual landscape screening plans with the neighbors. He also said that a path in that area, which is right next to the 7th, 8th and 9th fairways, A discussion ensued, In

which each board member expressed his or her opinion about the extension and also the 15-foot width. Chairman Bill Enslin said that the scenic part is along Stony Brook. "The proposal to connect to Province Line Road and trails unknown is pushing the envelope," Mr. Enslin remarked. Marvin Reed agreed, as did Mildred Trotman and Joseph O'Neill.

During public comment, two neighbors, Melita Wright and Cynthia Hillis, both spoke of their opposition to the path. "The Planning Board has done a great job protecting me from stray balls from the golf course, and I thank you," Mrs. Wright said. "Who is going to protect me from stray walkers?"

She said the walk would be public access for the curious who wanted to check out Jasna Polana, and not for nature lovers. She expressed concern that there were so few property owners their voices would not be heard.

## Like a Dog Run

Mrs. Hillis said, "I feel ambushed by this," and contrasted the suddenness of the Friends of Princeton Open Space proposal to the several years of personal contact from the golf course developers. She said putting in a path would force her family to install a fence of their own, and that the effect, because of the fence that would surround the golf course, would be like walking in a dog run. "I can't take the safety of my children for granted," Mrs. Hillis said. "My duty as a mother is to worry about these issues."

Wendy Mager of the Friends of Princeton Open Space distributed an article describing studies that show that there is little evidence to support the fear that greenway trails will produce disturbance to private landowners.

The members who wanted the trail extended to Province Line Road were Michele Tuck, Phyllis Marchand and Mrs. Penick. However, when the board took a formal vote on whether or not to extend it, Mrs. Penick abstained. Just before the vote Mr. Baker

warned that the extension could be construed as "an outright taking of our property." He pointed out that the linkage that was contemplated when the golf course conditional use ordinance was enacted was to the Township's own open space.

The vote was six Planning Board members against extending the walking trail easement, two for it and one abstention. With that settled, the board went on to vote unanimously for approval of the application.

Knowing that it will take several weeks before the memorialization can be finalized, Mr. Baker asked permission for the applicant to proceed with construction right away. The permission was granted with the caveat that a deadline of 90 days be imposed on satisfying the 42 conditions that go with approval.

Chairman Enslin thanked the staff and the consultants for their hard work in this long, complicated application.

—Barbara L. Johnson

## Fire

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arrival," said Deputy Chief Rick Miller, who was in command at the scene. "It spread pretty quickly."

Fanned by high winds, the fire whipped through the garage as firefighters trained their hoses on the building. In all, seven fire engines from all three Princeton Fire Companies and one Princeton Junction company responded.

Also on the scene were three ambulances and a rescue vehicle from the Princeton First Aid and Rescue Squad and a special services vehicle from West Windsor. In all, said Mr. McKee, approximately 35 fire and emergency personnel responded.

"It took us about half an hour to get it under control," said Mr. McKee. Nevertheless, firefighters remained on the scene until after 3 a.m., working to prevent a flare-up.

Freezing temperatures presented the firefighters with special challenges, as water from the hoses froze on the ground. One firefighter described the area around the garage to a skating rink.

Runoff from the hoses also poured down Chestnut Street, and Borough employee Charles McFadden spent several hours in a sanding truck keeping the roadway and the area around the garage safe for both vehicles and foot traffic.

Captain Peter Hanley, of the Borough Police, was not willing to call the fire a case of arson, but admitted that the circumstances were considered suspicious enough to warrant an investigation.

Last summer, Princeton was plagued by a series of dumpster fires, which police believe were set by an arsonist. The culprit (or culprits) was never found.

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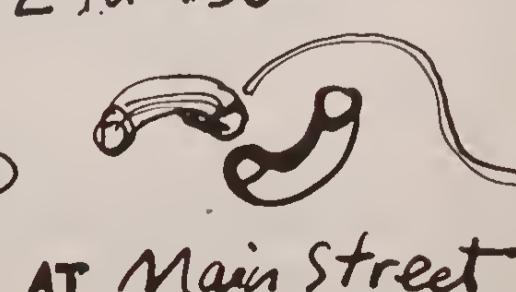
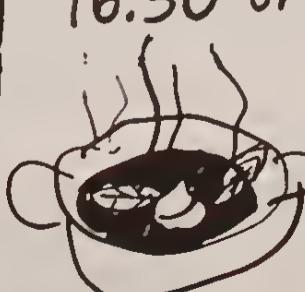
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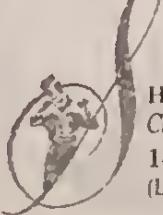
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## Wednesday, March 6

12:30 to 1 p.m.: Organ recital, John Bertalot, Trinity Church, Princeton; Princeton University Chapel.

8 p.m.: Composers' Ensemble at Princeton; Taplin Auditorium.

8 p.m.: Public lecture, "The Applied Sciences at Princeton," Michael S. Mahoney, professor of history; large auditorium, Computer Sciences Building, Olden Street. A 250th Anniversary Event.

8 p.m.: Bruce Graham's Cheap Sentiment; George Street Playhouse, New Brunswick. Also on Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 8, Sunday at 2.

## Thursday, March 7

7:30 p.m.: Regional Planning Board; Valley Road building.

8 p.m.: Princeton University Orchestra, conducted by Michael Pratt and by James Weiss '96; Richardson Auditorium. Also on Saturday at 8.

8 p.m.: Composer/planist Anthony Davis and The String Trio of New York, a chamber jazz ensemble; State Theatre, New Brunswick.

## Friday, March 8

12:30 p.m.: Gallery Talk, "The Art of Silence: Giorgio Morandi," LaVerne George, docent; Princeton University Art Museum. Also Sunday at 3.

8 p.m.: Marc Couroux, piano; Taplin Auditorium.

8 p.m.: Singer/songwriter Leslie Tucker and folk rock duo Rockwell Church; Murray-Dodge Theatre. To benefit D & R Greenway.

8 p.m.: Music revue, *Forever Plaid*; Off-Broadstreet Theatre, Hopewell. Doors open for dessert at 7. Performances also on Saturday at 8 and Sunday at 2:30 with dessert at 1:30.

## Saturday, March 9

9 a.m.: Consolidation Study

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10:00 a.m. 55 Plus "Of Genes & Genomes," Dr. Rose, PU. Jewish Ctr

12:30 p.m. Pinochle - SPC

1:00 p.m. Movie - "I.D." - SRC

1:30 p.m. Mixed Media Art Class, call 924-7108

2:40 p.m. Coffee, tea, & company - (crafts etc optional) - Red Cir

Friday: 9:30 a.m. CHIME call 924-7108 for appt.

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3:30-5 p.m. Computers with Carl Beginners Group - JWMS call 924-7108 for info. & regis. (Fee \$10 for 4 classes)

7:00 p.m. Bingo - Elm Court

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10:30 a.m. "The Thurber Carnival" - readings from Fables of Our Time; File and Forget; The Last Flower, and Thurberisms: Readers - Dick Swain and The Poquelin Players - Princeton Library (repeated at 7:30 p.m.)

10:45 a.m. Line Dancing - SPC

11:00 a.m. VIM - YW/YMCA (fee)

1:00 p.m. Movie - "Nobody's Fool" - SPC (repeated March 28 at SRC)

2-4 p.m. "Tea and Tales" - (discussion and coffee) - SRC

Commission; Township Friends of Princeton Open Space.

7 p.m.: Gospel Songfest with Notre Dame University Voices of Faith and the Princeton University Gospel Ensembles; Princeton University Chapel.

8 p.m.: Le Triomphe de l'Amour chamber ensemble; Rider University.

## Monday, March 11

7:30 p.m.: Township Committee; Valley Road building.

Tom Chaplin; Jewish Center, 435 Nassau Street.

3 p.m.: Geoffrey Michaels, violin, with Curtis Cacioppo, joint agency budgets; Valley Road building.

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## Tuesday, March 12

5:30 p.m.: Borough Shade Tree Commission; Borough Hall.

8 p.m.: Preview, *The Misanthrope*; McCarter Theatre. Previews also on Wednesday and Thursday.

8 p.m.: The Composers' Ensemble at Princeton; Taplin Auditorium.

8 p.m.: Borough Council; Borough Hall.

## Wednesday, March 13

12:30 p.m.: Organ recital, Jay Smith, director of music and organist at the Flemington Presbyterian Church; Princeton University Chapel.

5:30 p.m.: Borough Housing Authority; Borough Hall.

7:30 p.m.: Consolidation Study Commission; Borough Hall.

7:30 p.m.: Site Plan Advisory Board; Valley Road building.

7:30 p.m.: Princeton County Dancers; Suzanne Patterson Center. EVERY WEEK.

## Thursday, March 14

9 a.m.: Sewer Operating Committee; Borough Hall.

8 p.m.: American String Quartet; Richardson Auditorium. A Princeton University Concerts event.

## Friday, March 15

12:30 p.m.: Gallery Talk.

7:30 to 10 p.m.: Princeton University Art Museum. Also capped local residents; Princeton United Methodist Church, 160 Nassau Street.

7:30 p.m.: "Among Friends," for singles; Unitarian Church, Cherry Hill Road. Phillips Exeter Academy; Princeton University Chapel. EVERY WEEK.

8 to 11:30 p.m.: Friday night folk dancing; Princeton Quartet; Richardson Auditorium. No partner needed. um. Fourth in the Concert teaching sessions from 8 to 9. Royal Series.

8 p.m.: Music revue, *Forever Plaid*, Off-Broadstreet Theatre, 5 South Greenwood Avenue, Hopewell. Doors open for dessert at 7. Performances also on Saturday at 8 and Sunday at 2:30 with dessert at 1:30.

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## Historical Society Exhibit Features Princeton's African-Americans

"Hopefully, by looking at Moore Howell, was the successful operator of a Princeton's past, you can use some of the struggles they faced and some of the triumphs they accomplished to craft a better future."

With those words, guest curator Dwandalyn Reece King helped open the latest exhibit at the Historical Society of Princeton's Bainbridge House. "A Community Remembers: African American Life in Princeton" opened on Friday and will run until September 15.

The exhibit uses more than 150 artifacts, culled from the hundreds more that were donated to the exhibit, to give an overall picture of the history of African Americans in Princeton.

According to Gail Stern, Director of the Historical Society, the exhibit represents a joint effort of the Society's researchers and the members of Princeton's African American community. "It really is the community telling its own story," said Ms. Stern on Friday. "That's why I feel that this is a very strong and important exhibit for us."

Although the oldest artifact in the exhibit dates to 1824 (a fragment of a will, which gives permission for a slave to be set free) the general scope of the exhibit stretches from 1870 to 1970.

According to Ms. Stern, the selection of 1870 as a starting date was based on the earliest evidence of a community-based political movement among African Americans in Princeton. In that year, citizens of Princeton organized a march on "Jugtown" in support of the ratification of the 15th Amendment to the Constitution, which guaranteed the right to vote to all Americans.

The exhibit is not an attempt to document the entire history of the community, says Ms. King, who is also Chief Curator for the Brooklyn Historical Society. "This is just a small piece of a large story."

Broken into a rough chronology, the exhibit begins with a section on "Building Community."

"What we found," said Ms. King, "is that there was a strong, thriving, [African American] business community — particularly in the 1920's, 30's, 40's and possibly into the 50's."

The exhibit features old signs, photographs, and other memorabilia relating to African American-owned businesses in Princeton. Prominent in the exhibit is a map of the John-Witherspoon area which pinpoints dozens of stores, shops, and home-based businesses, many of which do not exist anymore.

Among the most successful African American entrepreneurs were the members of the Moore family. William "Sport" Moore owned shops that sold such diverse goods as clothing, antiques, and furniture.

His daughter, Christine



**LIVING HISTORY:** 93-year-old Albert Hinds, one of the oldest living native Princetonians, was a member of the advisory board of the exhibit, and was also a major contributor. He addressed reporters at the opening on Friday.

A.M.E., which dates to 1832.

"What we hope to show here is the long-standing presence of African Americans and the tradition of being vital and active in the community," says Ms. King.

### Relocation & Dislocation

The development of Palmer Square in the 1930's, according to Ms. King, "decimated the community and broke up neighborhood factions."

Streets that had been lined with the homes of hundreds of people virtually disappeared. Some houses were relocated, but much of the African American community found itself displaced.

The Urban Renewal plan of 1956 would have made further inroads into the town's African American neighborhoods, had not residents of the John-Witherspoon area banded together to defeat the proposal. "It is an example of the community pulling together to fight something that would have had an adverse effect on the sense of community," says Ms. King.

Both Palmer Square and Urban Renewal are addressed in a section of the exhibit entitled "Relocation and Dislocation: the struggle to maintain a community existence."

Other sections of the exhibit focus on major issues and events in the history of the African American community.

World War II and the Civil Rights movements are addressed, as are school desegregation and the struggle against prejudice on a local level.

African American "firsts" are featured in another section. Special attention is paid to Jim Floyd Sr., the first African American mayor of Princeton Township; Frederick Porter, the first African American Chief of Police; and Andrew Hatcher, a Princeton native who was the first African American to serve in a presidential cabinet. There is

In addition to preparing a walking tour of Princeton that will highlight spots of significance to the African American Community, the Society is sponsoring three more "town meetings."

The first will focus on the issue of Housing, and the second on Education. The topic of the third, says Ms. Stern, will be determined by the concerns raised in the first two meetings.

Visitors to "A Community Remembers" are invited to contribute to the exhibit themselves. The final section is an "interactive" area, which allows visitors to pore over old newspaper clippings, and provides a large bulletin board for the posting of reactions and suggestions.

—Rob Garver

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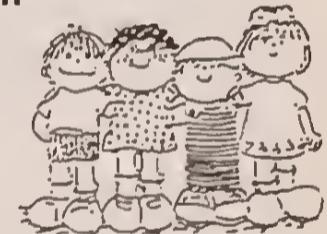
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# The Making of the Two Princetons

(Following is the text of the first of six reports by the Princeton Consolidation Study Commission)

Princeton owed its beginnings in colonial times to the Kings Highway that linked Philadelphia with New York. Although the Quakers at Stony Brook established the first European settlement in the area, by the early 1700s a community had formed on the higher ground along this old post road, led by the group of pioneers who owned the land on the two sides of what are today Nassau Street and Stockton Street.

By the mid-1700s these first Princetonians hit on an idea that would permanently change the character of their community. They persuaded the newly founded College of New Jersey, which had lived in temporary quarters in Elizabeth and Newark, to make Princeton its home, and they provided the College with the land on which Nassau Hall would be built. Their investment brought the College to Princeton in 1756 and gave the community the distinctive character of a college town. This quality was reinforced in the early 19th century by the founding of Princeton Seminary and in the 20th century by the founding of the Institute of Advanced Study and Westminster Choir College.

The Kings Highway was laid out on the first high ground that rises above New Jersey's coastal plain, the level country that stretches eastward from the foot of the Washington Road hill to the Jersey shore. The highway followed an ancient route that was used by the Lenape Indians long before Europeans reached America. It therefore antedated the creation of New Jersey's counties in colonial times, an era when it was easier to declare a county's existence than to survey its boundaries. When Somerset and Middlesex Counties were formed, it was convenient to run their boundary along this road, although the line in Princeton followed at times the nearby Harry's Brook, a natural feature that has long since disappeared into an underground culvert near the center of modern Princeton. On the south side of the Kings Highway lay (by 1800) West Windsor Township in Middlesex County, looking to New Brunswick as its county seat. On the north side lay Montgomery Township in Somerset County, looking to Somerset Court House (the modern Millstone) before the county seat was moved to Somerville.

This division was made more difficult by the problem of keeping the peace when offenders could be held and charged only at one or the other of two distant county centers. In September of those years a harvest festival was a feature of the commencement of the College of New Jersey, a mixture the townspeople soon found to be fairly combustible. They therefore sought the legislature's permission to deal with the recurring riots, and meet their other civic needs, by incorporating as a borough that could hold and charge offenders locally.

In 1813 the legislature gave its permission for this first consolidation of two Princetons. It marked off the boundaries of the new borough part way down the Middlesex and Somerset slopes of the Kings Highway ridge and created a territory generally matching the modern Borough. The resulting municipality was tiny, since less than two square miles encompassed all of Princeton.

Twenty-five years later the legislature laid the groundwork for the second part of the modern Princeton when it combined parts of Burlington, Hunterdon, Middlesex, and

Somerset to put New Jersey's capital city in a new county named for General Mercer, the Revolutionary War hero who fell at the Battle of Princeton. As it defined the boundaries of Mercer county in 1838, the legislature laid the basis of a new dualism in Princeton by joining parts of Middlesex and Somerset Counties into a Township that would encompass the Borough of Princeton and its surrounding lands, exploiting the strong natural features that set off the Princeton area.

The eastern and southern boundaries of Princeton Township were provided by the Millstone River and Stony Brook and (by 1853) the newly completed Delaware and Raritan Canal, the northern boundary by the mountainous ridges and valleys north of the town. The western limit of the Township was placed on the old "Province Line" boundary between East and West Jersey that was surveyed in colonial times by George Keith. Although this Township was vastly larger than the Borough, its 16 additional square miles were so few that Princeton would still be a small community even when the Township too had been largely built up a century and a half later.

## The Issue of Consolidation

If New Jersey had followed the practice of most states by allowing incorporated urban areas to expand into the surrounding lands of unincorporated townships or counties, successive annexations might have produced a single Princeton as the town outgrew the original Borough and spread over much of the Township. But New Jersey's law and tradition followed a different course.

The Township continued to encompass the Borough for much of the 19th century. Since roads were a township responsibility in Princeton as elsewhere, the Township collected the taxes and remanded part to the Borough. But in a brief span of years in the late 19th century a large number of new boroughs were incorporated within New Jersey's townships to assure local control of the emerging system of public schools. As the number of boroughs soared, the legislature separated these incorporated areas from their original townships, declaring each to be municipalities in their own right. By the beginning of the 20th century the state was completely partitioned into more than 500 independent municipalities, from Cape May to the New York line, with the consolidation of municipal units virtually the only means of realigning their boundaries after substantial population change.

Although the Chamber of Commerce championed consolidation as early as 1926, this was not a live issue for Princeton's two municipalities during the decades when the Township lagged far behind the Borough in population and tax base. But it was bound to become an issue when the two Princetons pulled more nearly equal in these terms. As suggested by Figure 1, the Census of 1900 counted 3,899 residents in the Borough and 955 in the Township. By 1930 the corresponding figures were 6,992 in the Borough and 2,738 in the Township. Over the wartime decade from 1940 to 1950, the population of the Borough grew from 7,719 to 12,230, the population of the Township from 3,251 to 5,407. But from 1950 to 1990 the Borough's population grew not at

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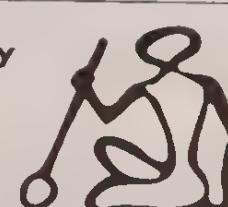
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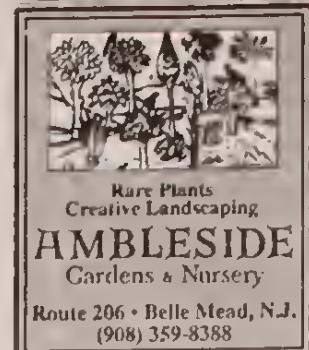
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## Consolidation

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all, while the Township's increased to 10,411 in 1960 and to 13,651 in 1970 before leveling off. The census of 1990 counted 12,016 residents in the Borough and 13,198 in the Township. From the census trends, the Mercer County Planning Division projects almost no growth in the Borough's population by the year 2010, whereas it projects a rise in the Township's population to about 14,000 in the year 2000 and 15,000 in 2010.

Figures on taxable valuation equalized between the Borough and the Township, a fair base for comparison, are available only from 1955, when the taxable valuation stood at \$54.7 million in the Borough and \$47.8 million in the Township. Two years later the Township's taxable valuation of \$71.6 million had surpassed the Borough's of \$65.1 million. As shown by Figure 2, in terms of constant 1995 dollars, the taxable valuation has risen much more rapidly in the Township than the Borough over the succeeding years. In 1995 this figure stood at \$1.92 billion in the Township and at \$912 million in the Borough. In the year of the latest census, 1990, the equalized taxable valuation per capita was \$131,024 in the Township and \$73,938 in the Borough, although the Borough's per capita taxable valuation would be more than \$150,000 if students were excluded from its population base.

The first Joint Consolidation Committee was appointed in the spring of 1953, before New Jersey began to regulate the process of consolidation. The Princeton community was not ready, and the consolidation plan reported after several weeks was voted down in the Borough and Township. The next study, created by joint resolution of the two Councils in 1965, was a Joint Committee on Municipal Operations that put its main emphasis on consolidating selected municipal services, believing that full municipal consolidation was not yet possible. In 1973 the two Councils initiated a third study by creating a Joint Consolidation Committee, which did not report until November of 1976. It recommended that the Borough and Township should "consolidate into one municipality with boundaries only at the outer Township line."

Although it was not put to a vote by the citizens of the Borough and Township, this recommendation and the State Municipal Consolidation Act of 1978 put the question of two Princetons or one back on the public agenda. In November of 1978 the voters of the Borough and Township approved the formation of a Joint Municipal Consolidation Study Commission, with five commissioners

from the Borough and five from the Township. The Commission unanimously endorsed consolidation of the two municipalities, and the question was placed on the ballot for November of 1979. Consolidation was overwhelmingly approved by the voters of the Township but was defeated by 33 votes in the Borough.

This history left some skepticism about further efforts to consolidate in the near term, and in November of 1991 the question of forming a fresh Study Commission lost in the Borough by a wider margin than the recommendation of the 1979 Commission, although it was approved in the Township. But a renewed interest in consolidation led to the approval of this year's study commission by the voters of the Borough as well as the Township last November.

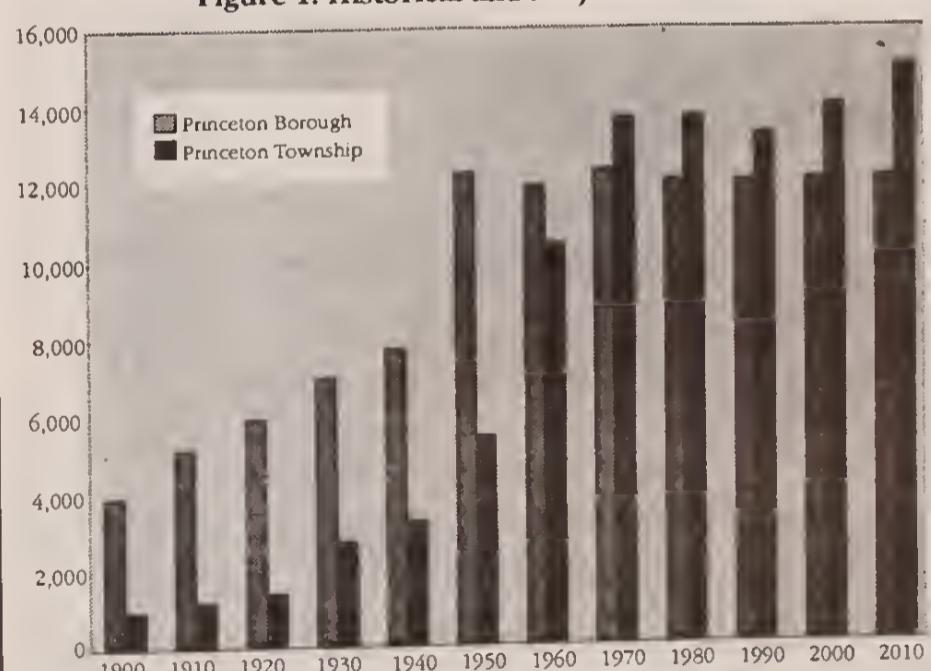
The effort that has been devoted to these periodic studies is a small price to pay for assurance that Princeton's current needs are not held hostage by a history that extends back more than a century and a half. Moreover, the studies have been an important stimulus for selective consolidation by identifying a wide range of municipal services that could more effectively be offered jointly by the two municipalities. The voters charged this year's Commission to look for further opportunities of this kind. A number of particular factors influenced each of the voters' past decisions on consolidation. After 17 years it hardly seems duplicative of earlier efforts to take a full, fresh look at the issues.

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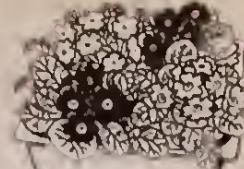
from the Borough and five from the Township. The Commission unanimously endorsed consolidation of the two municipalities, and the question was placed on the ballot for November of 1979. Consolidation was overwhelmingly approved by the voters of the Township but was defeated by 33 votes in the Borough.

This history left some skepticism about further efforts to consolidate in the near term, and in November of 1991 the question of forming a fresh Study Commission lost in the Borough by a wider margin than the recommendation of the 1979 Commission, although it was approved in the Township. But a renewed interest in consolidation led to the approval of this year's study commission by the voters of the Borough as well as the Township last November.

The effort that has been devoted to these periodic studies is a small price to pay for assurance that Princeton's current needs are not held hostage by a history that extends back more than a century and a half. Moreover, the studies have been an important stimulus for selective consolidation by identifying a wide range of municipal services that could more effectively be offered jointly by the two municipalities. The voters charged this year's Commission to look for further opportunities of this kind. A number of particular factors influenced each of the voters' past decisions on consolidation. After 17 years it hardly seems duplicative of earlier efforts to take a full, fresh look at the issues.

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**Consolidation**

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qualities of an academic town have been reinforced by Princeton Seminary, the Institute of Advanced Study, and Westminster Choir College, and by the campuses of Princeton High School and the other secondary schools in Princeton.

For their part, the Borough and Township have pursued land-use policies, coordinated in recent decades by the work of the Regional Planning Board, that have been strongly protective of Princeton's distinctive character. These policies have in particular helped to sustain a lively central business district that provides a well-defined center for the Princeton community as a whole. They have also helped to preserve open spaces in Princeton's rapidly developing Township that are, once again, a resource for the community as a whole. There are few towns in America so deserving of Princeton's status as an historic district. The visual and cultural appeal of Princeton is matched by its rare level of intellectual and artistic energy. Indeed, the qualities of Princeton that meet the eye have helped to attract here a human community that is remarkably diverse and vibrant.

Yet some fortunate accidents of geography and public works and economic history have also helped to preserve the distinctive character of this pleasant college town in the sixteen decades since the legislature completed its work. Because standing water was so difficult a problem for early road-building, the Kings Highway and the village of Princeton were laid out on the first of the ridges to rise above New Jersey's water-soaked coastal plain. But as transportation technology improved, it was easier to build on the coastal plain rather than on Princeton's ridge each of the subsequent transportation routes that paralleled the old Kings Highway.

The first of these was the "Straight Turnpike," completed in 1804. The marked advances in bridge-building in the decades after the Revolutionary War allowed this road to be laid out on the coastal plain, straight as an arrow, along the route of the modern U.S. 1. Princeton Pike and Mercer Road are relics of the largely unsuccessful counter-effort to keep the overland traffic from the Delaware Valley to New York harbor flowing through Princeton over the toll road aligned with the Kings Highway. A decade later the Bordentown-Amboy Turnpike was laid out farther east, along the current route of U.S. 130.

The next parallel transportation route on the coastal plain was in fact a watercourse, the Delaware & Raritan Canal, which grew in tonnage to be America's foremost canal as it brought coal from the Pennsylvania fields to fire the explosive growth of New York City. Another was the Camden to

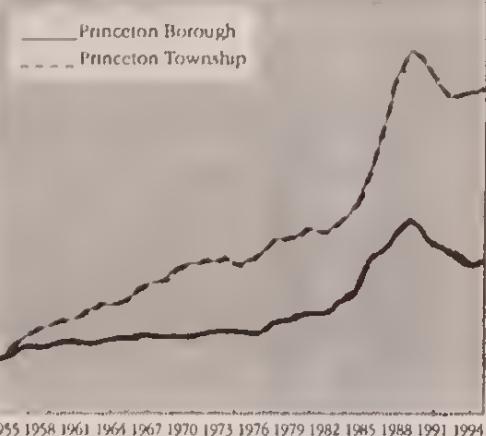
Amboy Railroad, the first of the rail lines linking the Delaware Valley to New York Harbor. Since the company that held the canal monopoly also held a monopoly on rail, the north branch of the railroad ran along the bank of the Delaware & Raritan Canal until the roadbed was relaid several miles to the east along what is now the Northeast Rail Corridor.

As the automobile came to dominate American transportation in the 1920s the route of the Straight Turnpike became U.S. 1 with two cement lanes. These were later separated to provide a left-turn median, an engineering feat that is still recalled by those who remember Princeton in the interwar years. Still later the median was paved over to provide four concrete lanes, with left turns from this highway's distinctive jug-handle turns. By the end of the 1920s the state-

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of-the-art Route 130 was built along the route of the old Bordentown-Amboy Turnpike. And the coastal flats were the natural site of the New Jersey Turnpike when this super-road was built in the 1950s.

No one could imagine putting the New Jersey Turnpike on Princeton's ridge. Yet if any of the earlier roads or rail lines had passed through Princeton, much of the distinctive character of the community would have been lost. This lesson is easily learned from the invasiveness of the heavy trucks that have been moving over Stockton Street and Bayard Lane, day and night, in recent months.

Moreover, the experience of the recent past shows that the transportation corridors on the coastal plane can no longer be seen primarily in terms of the pass-through of goods and people between the New York and Philadelphia metropolitan areas. The rapid change of the Route 1 corridor in particular shows how well these transportation routes lend themselves to development that will put intense additional pressure on Princeton. Having been divided into East and West Jersey in colonial times and further pulled apart in modern times by the rise of New York and Philadelphia on its flanks, New Jersey is acquiring a center of gravity from the development occurring in a region extending from Morristown to Atlantic City. Princeton can no longer live a semi-detached life at the end of a spur rail line. It will need to cope with this transformation of its surrounding region to preserve the quality of life in this distinctive community.

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## MAILBOX

### Letter Writer Presented an Unworthy Analysis Of Integrity & Motives of Fellow Board Member

To the editor of *Town Topics*:

I was saddened and surprised by Chiara Nappi's letter, printed in *TOWN TOPICS* on February 28. When it first appeared in the press, several people encouraged me to read it, and after I did so, I wished I had not.

Mrs. Nappi, who I believe has invested much energy in her one term as a member of the Princeton Regional School Board (and whose position on parent involvement in bilingual education I heartily endorse), presents to the community an unworthy analysis of the integrity and motives of her fellow board member, Michael Littman.

I know Mr. Littman through his board record and a half-dozen phone conversations over the past few years, each conversation conducted at my request. Although we are not personal friends (I met him only a few days ago) I offered to help him with his re-election campaign because I have found him to be a constructive listener, intellectually honest in his reflections, inclusive and, most important, genuinely concerned for all of the students in our district. I cannot vote for Michael because I live in the Borough. I would, however, be pleased to do so if able.

In her letter, Mrs. Nappi concludes her remarks about disputes with Mr. Littman with some truly bizarre allegations. Not the least of these is that she suggests he is backed by a "formidable organization." Anyone like myself who has wandered in to offer an assist on a campaign in Princeton would find this concern a bit peculiar, if not downright hilarious (I've worked on school board, statewide and national campaigns — and even some of the national campaigns lack what one could honestly call "organization"). Anyway, I suspect I was not the only newcomer among several people who sat down with Mr. Littman the other night to discuss issues.

There is nothing "formidable" about Michael Littman's organization, but the people who support him find a common thread in being able to air their concerns. Curiously, I had heard that Mrs. Nappi's campaign a few years ago was "tightly organized" by a particular "faction" of citizens, but never having met one of her supporters, I have no idea if there was any truth to this perception. Anyway, I didn't find the prospect of her organizational backing "scary" (as she asserts current happenings to be) because I've never known anything in Princeton to be exactly scary or particularly organized.

As for Mrs. Nappi's insinuation that Mr. Littman is associated, as a "propagandist," with the spread of "false and misleading information," this is an out-and-out slur so wanting in its lack of decorum, it deserves only to be identified as such and dismissed. Mr. Littman will make his own decisions, but I hope he will choose not to dignify this drivel with a response.

However, regarding those "special interests" about which Mrs. Nappi cautions "readers, taxpayers and parents" to be "wary," I would say, yes, Michael Littman appears to me to represent special interests, and those are the very special interests of students in receiving an excellent education in Princeton Regional Schools.

Whatever else is going on in Princeton, we don't need to throw paranoia into the mix. And the opinions of those who do so should be judged accordingly. Incidentally, if you'd like to help with Michael Littman's re-election campaign (making it "formidable"), or speak to him directly about your concerns for Princeton Regional Schools, I can assure you, you don't have to know him in order to receive a cordial reception. I found him in the phone book.

BETTY HIGHT  
Robert Road

### Two Wonderful Letters in Last Issue Spoke to the "Goodness of Our Town"

To the Editor of *Town Topics*:

You published two wonderful letters in the February 28 edition of *TOWN TOPICS*.

One written by Steven L. Weiss concerned the Arts Council. It was a straight forward, factual, common sense piece that spoke about the benefits of that institution to all Princetonians.

Then there was the marvelous eulogy to Alan Frank written by Tom Brophy.

In a sense they went together. They spoke to the goodness of our town.

But Tom, why didn't you tell me about the brown shoes?

DAVID J. ROSE  
Lambert Drive

### Letters to the Editor

*Town Topics* welcomes letters to the editor on subjects specifically related to the Princeton area. They should be typed, double spaced, signed and received for publication no later than Monday noon for publication in that week's edition. No letter will be printed without a valid signature, street address and/or organizational affiliation. Letters longer than 500 words may be edited or omitted entirely.

### Issue of Reducing School Administration Was Neither "Fake" nor "Propaganda"

To the Editor of *Town Topics*:

For those who may not closely follow Princeton Regional School Board activity I wish to clarify two issues raised in the letter by Board member Chiara Nappi on February 28. I am a member of the School Board, but the observations I am presenting here are my own.

Ms. Nappi's letter states that fellow Board member Michael Littman opposed the appointment of a new business administrator for the school district. Mr. Littman did initially strongly question the need for the position in light of anticipated restructuring of the central administration, but once the decision was made by the Board to fill the position, Mr. Littman was a very active participant in the selection process and voted in favor of our current business administrator.

Ms. Nappi also states that due to "propaganda" from Mr. Littman "the fake issue of administrative bloat was the big thing in the 1995 budget season." As an audience member in all of the budget meetings last year I heard many voices expressing the desire to see cost-saving reductions in the central administration of the district, while also deriding the fallacy of the state's administrative penalty. Reorganization of the central administration became one of the district goals this year. Indeed as pointed out in Ms. Nappi's letter, such cost saving measures are to become reality next year. The issue of reduction of central administration was neither "fake" nor the "propaganda" of any individual.

I certainly agree with Ms. Nappi that the dissemination of misleading information, whether anonymously or openly, is inappropriate. I also agree that readers, parents and taxpayers should be wary and should critically examine all statements on issues involving our schools.

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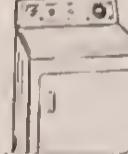
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To the Editor of **Town Topics**:

In the past two months there has been a significant amount of confusion related to the disciplinary actions which the Board of Education of the Princeton Regional Schools has taken for students at Princeton High School.

Although the School District cannot discuss the cases of individual students, it is important that the rationale and the facts related to the Board's disciplinary actions for these students are understood.

First, the disciplinary actions resulting in extended suspension by the Board of Education have been the result of students possessing weapons on school property and/or distributing drugs on school property. All of the disciplinary actions taken by the Board of Education were taken after the students had due process hearings before the Board of Education.

Disciplinary actions for other drug-related offenses such as being under the influence of drugs or alcohol or possession of drugs or alcohol on school property are implemented by the building administration and have not come before the Board of Education. Any differential disciplinary actions stem from different levels of infractions. The Board implements stronger disciplinary actions for students who are found distributing drugs on school property than the building administration implements for students who are under the influence or in possession of drugs on school property. Similarly, the Board has taken a strong stand against weapons in school. All of the Board actions have been taken to ensure a safe, orderly school environment for students to learn.

In implementing disciplinary actions which include extended suspensions, i.e., suspensions of more than ten days, the Board of Education has taken the position that students on extended suspension will be provided with an educational program delivered by certificated teachers in a tutorial setting. This program is designed so that students on extended suspension will be able to keep up with their course work and will be able to reenter the regular school program at the completion of their suspension period.

Students on extended suspension are receiving 15 to 25 hours of instruction per week. The variation in time is a result of the number of courses in each student's regular schedule. When one considers that students taking seven courses on the regular program at Princeton High School would have approximately 25 hours per week of time in a classroom, the amount of instructional time which the suspended students receive in a one-to-one or two-to-one instructional environment is certainly appropriate to support their educational program and the successful reentry into the regular program.

Additionally, it is important to note that the Board of Education has included other appropriate activities as conditions of an extended suspension, e.g., counseling at Corner House, community service.

In carrying out its responsibility to provide a drug and weapon free environment as a place for learning the Board is committed to recognizing the educational aspects of appropriate disciplinary action and supports appropriate interventions which provide students an opportunity to recover from their mistakes.

DR. MARCIA BOSSART  
Superintendent  
Princeton Regional Schools

**Donations from Rider Furniture Customers  
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To the Editor of **Town Topics**:

The Exchange Club of Princeton wants to thank Rider Furniture of Kingston for promoting and facilitating the delivery of several truckloads of furniture from its customers to the very poor people of Mercer County whom the Exchange Club helps to break the cycle of poverty by furnishing their apartments and assisting them in gaining independent, self-sustaining lives.

Bill Thompson, Rider's president, worries about regional job-loss, so he urges his customers to donate their used furniture to the Exchange Club when they buy new furniture at Rider. His position reflects business acumen combined with ethical awareness: "If helping my customers to get rid of their old furniture while buying at Rider helps the Exchange Club, that's a good thing all around," he says. "The people who shop here," he reflects, "are willing to help other people out. They like to give a hand to people less fortunate than themselves." He recognizes the social meaning of furniture; he does not like to think about families sleeping on the floor or eating without a table.

He notes that Exchange Club promptness and reliability in picking up donated furniture helps him support our mission. We are very grateful for Bill's active participation in making his customers conscious of the ways in which they can alleviate poverty in Mercer County while taking a tax-deduction.

Rider Furniture happily joins the growing number of local businesses, including Mack Dinettes of Rohrlinsville, that make ongoing contributions to our efforts to create humane furnished environments for previously homeless people. These willing involvements in community needs represent a solid understanding not only of a regional crisis but of the real assistance that businesses can give to desperate families. The Exchange Club, with programs in nutrition, literacy, and children's recreation as well as apartment-furnishing, welcomes support such as Bill Thompson's every time we get it.

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## An Overheard Dialogue Between a Citizen Of an Historical Town & Its Historical Society

To the Editor of Town Topics:

Citizen: Hello - Princeton Historical Society? Yeah, I'm calling to let you know the DOT is planning to tear down the bridge at Harry's Brook and replace it with a modern, wider and safer structure.

Princeton Historical Society: What! Call out the DAR, the ACLU, the FBI, the CIA, anybody, everybody! Doesn't the DOT know the historical value of this bridge? Stop construction at any cost! By the way, Citizen, thanks for the warning.

Citizen: Hello, Princeton Historical Society? Yes, I just wanted to let you know the DOT is planning to tear down the Stony Brook Bridge and straighten out Mercer Street at that awfully dangerous spot and construct a new modern bridge after the Army Corps of Engineers improves the streambed by making it flat, wide and ugly.

Princeton Historical Society: What! Call out the troops! Protest! Petition! Prevent this transgression on the history of Princeton from happening! Doesn't the DOT realize this bridge is an historic relic, and a veritable icon of Princeton history? Stop construction at any cost.

Citizen: Hello, Princeton Historical Society! Yes, I just had to call to let you know the DOT is at it again. They want to widen Route 206 up by the Borough Hall so that the large trucks that roar through Princeton endlessly can negotiate the road better.

Princeton Historical Society: What! Get Christie on the phone! Get some lawyers! Hell, get Johnny Cochrane! This is a travesty on the basic history of the very historic Borough of Princeton and the Kings Highway. Stop construction at any cost.

Citizen: Hello, Princeton Historical Society. I'm calling again to inform you that there are those among us who would have the Borough of Princeton eradicated, its original charters erased. Its history rewritten as though it never existed and then consolidated with Princeton Township for dimly perceived financial benefits.

Princeton Historical Society: So? What's the big deal???

KATHRYN KING  
Linden Lane

## Einstein Didn't Want His Bones Worshipped; Naming Library After Him Better Memorial

To the Editor of Town Topics:

I understand that currently various proposals are being discussed for establishing some memorial to Albert Einstein in Princeton.

In that connection I should note Einstein's own opinions in this matter, which he has mentioned to me, and no doubt to others as well.

He insisted that, after his death, his house on Mercer Street should never become a museum; that no plaque should mark the office he had used at the Institute for Advanced Study; and that one of the reasons for his desire to be cremated and his ashes be scattered at an unknown place was that he did not wish for people "to worship my bones."

For these reasons, I believe that one proposal I have been informed of, to erect a statue of him, would have met with his indignant disapproval.

On the other hand, another suggestion of which I have been told, to name the Princeton Public Library, or some wing or part thereof, after him would not have caused him to object.

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Editor's Note: Abraham Pais is the Detlev W. Bronk Professor at the Rockefeller Institute and was a professor at the Institute for Advanced Study from 1950 to 1963. He is the author of the prize-winning 1982 biography of Einstein, "Subtle Is the Lord: The Science and the Life of Albert Einstein."

## With New Recycling Schedule, 'Shippies Will Have Equal Opportunity for Confusion

To the Editor of Town Topics:

Curses! (Consolidation) Foiled Again!

Once again the forces of Sanity and Reason (read: the Township) are overrun by the forces of Chaos and Obtuseness (aka the Borough).

For years, one of the few perks of Township residency has been the joy of tootling past piles of Borough recycling detritus festering on the sidewalk till the Sunday following one of those interminable and immutable Monday holidays, secure in the knowledge that, for once, playing Avis to their Hertz had paid off; nobody ever celebrates anything on Tuesdays — excepting, of course, we 'Shippies, smugly saluting our clean curbsides.

No doubt the plan to consolidate us all into Mondays instead of all into Tuesdays was devised by those Machiavellian opponents of true Consolidation, in the hope that the sight of every street littered with trash will somehow dissuade the electorate from supporting unification — because, in a town awash in so much brainpower, it couldn't possibly be due to sheer witlessness — could it?

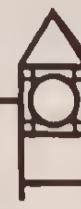
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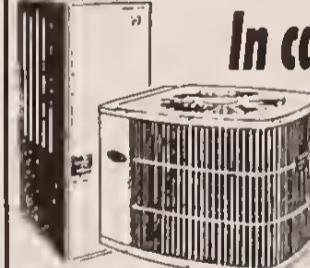


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## Advocate for Small Class Sizes in Schools Announces Campaign for Re-election to Board

To the editor of *Town Topics*:

I was elected to the Princeton Regional Schools Board of Education three years ago with broad community support of my stated goal to protect and improve the quality of the education for all of Princeton's children. Much still needs to be done and I am pleased to announce my campaign for re-election.

The School Board's mission is to provide an education for each and every child in Princeton that both meets or exceeds the community standards of excellence, and is affordable to the taxpayers.

The most pressing question facing voters is, what changes can we make in our schools to improve our effectiveness? I believe that there are several important principles that we should follow as the means to achieve our goals: matching educational program and curriculum to the needs of individual learners; developing ownership among all through shared decision making; and leveraging our limited resources.

In order to best serve all students we need to tailor the program to their individual educational needs and learning styles, while remaining within the framework of a strong district-wide curriculum. We need to do a better job setting consistent, ambitious individual goals. Sensible goals are those that force each student to stretch, and at the same time, are reachable so that our children can be drawn along by personal success. The tough part here is to meet everyone's needs including those of the stronger, average, and weaker students. Individual goal setting, of course, must be based upon our high local educational standards of excellence. My three-year-long advocacy for small class sizes at all levels of instruction derives from this notion of a need for tailoring.

The best way to achieve collaboration and cooperation between students, parents, community, and staff is through the sense of ownership that results from shared decision making. Participatory decision making has a magical effect that builds a collegial environment, encourages constructive participation, engenders mutual respect, minimizes strife, and fosters success. Opening up the decision process at the Board level will calm our present situation, and help us build upon our strengths and resources.

Over the past three years I have helped to create and guide this kind of open process as to several Board activities including the development of both the sexual harassment policy and the technology policy, and the development of the minority education committee.

Given our worsening fiscal picture, it is essential that we do better at leveraging our human and financial resources. Each action of the Board should set the stage for multiple possible benefits. For example, in technology we have acquired computers for use in the classroom, and have been successful at renting them out over the summer. Furthermore our middle school computer cluster and internet connectivity has enabled us to raise extra funds from granting agencies. Our computers thus serve the dual functions of tools for learning and revenue generators. Through creative structuring and problem solving there are many other similar ways that we can capitalize on new initiatives and stretch our limited resources.

Over the next few weeks I will describe, in greater detail, issues that we are likely to confront over the coming years and suggest possible courses of action to deal with them.

MICHAEL G. LITTMAN

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Township Candidate for School Board

## Carl Mayer's Re-Registry as Democrat Welcome News for a Revitalized Party

To the Editor of *Town Topics*:

At a time when conservative Democrats are looking to the Republican Party, it is heartening to learn from your edition of February 28 that the Democratic party is attracting liberal-minded Independents like Carl Mayer.

As a member of the Township Committee over the past year and a half, Carl Mayer has been responsible for a number of commendable initiatives — conserving and expanding open spaces, checking efforts to raise charges on water consumption and TV Cable, for clarification of tax bills, and other worthwhile projects.

His re-registry as a Democrat with the intention of participating in the coming primary of 4 June is welcome news to those who look forward to having a revitalized Democratic Party field a forward-looking candidate to replace our current representative in Congress, Dick Zimmer.

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## A Lean, Clean Administrative Machine May Not Be Good for Educating Children

To the Editor of Town Topics:

Recent letters in TOWN TOPICS have expressed emotions ranging from bewildered indignation to borderline paranoia in wondering why the current atmosphere of distrust has formed around the school board, and, more specifically, our superintendent, Dr. Marcia Bossart.

Like many parents of school age children in Princeton we have watched with dismay the current depressing array of events relating to the politics of education in Princeton.

Betsy Wilczek's supportive letter of February 27th inadvertently addresses some of my concerns (and those of other parents) about Dr. Bossart's educational goals for Princeton. Dr. Bossart is described again and again as a "no nonsense manager with a strong work ethic." These are certainly traits to be admired. Ms. Wilczek goes on to describe her commitment to "sound business practice" and "strong respect for the letter of the law," also qualities that are to be valued in a school superintendent. The parents of Princeton are not naive. We recognize the necessity of strong management skills and genuine financial acumen as desirable traits in a superintendent.

Why then did I find this letter so disturbing? Because nowhere in this letter was there mention of Dr. Bossart's abilities as an educator. All successful school superintendents have their own philosophy of education that is measured in other units besides dollars and cents. Dr. Bossart has never informed the district of her personal educational philosophy, of her conception of the best way to fulfill and make better the educational and human potential of each child in this district. An educator must have an educational vision, and this is something as important, and more important than running a tight ship.

Ms. Wilczek states that the job of the schools is to meet the needs of children. It is the fiscal needs of the district that are being prioritized, not the needs of children who are thrust into multi-age classes because of a lack of teachers, unsupervised because of a lack of teacher-aides, and "dumbed-down" because of cuts in such "non-necessary" programs as elementary science.

Lastly, the "Princeton way" in education that Ms. Wilczek so thoroughly disparages is what brought us to Princeton three years ago and produced some of the finest schools in New Jersey. Under the current administration's lean, clean, financially tightened machine, this can no longer be said.

DIANE MALLER  
Nassau Street

## Complaint About Upscale & Exclusive Arts Council Does Not Reflect Reality

To the Editor of Town Topics:

The future of the Arts Council of Princeton is a matter of concern to me. Thus, I am dismayed at the feelings that Jerome McGowan expresses on page 18 of the 21 February TOWN TOPICS. He begins by charging that the Arts Council excludes residents of the John-Witherspoon area. He claims that the Arts Council's fees are out of reach of those who live in the neighborhood. He asserts that he and other residents will not allow the Arts Council to "deny access to the neighborhood."

Presumably that means that he will stand in the way of the Arts Council's purchasing the building at 102 Witherspoon unless there is some kind of "outreach" by the Council to the community.

The Council didn't have to reach out to me. When I discovered its wide range of activities and its low prices, I naturally gravitated there. For seven or eight years now, my need for artistic expression has been satisfied in that building.

The Monday night drawing class was cheaper and more flexible than any other in the area. It still is. The clunky pianos are available to anyone off the street. Communiversity brought me in touch with neighbors, both from the John-Witherspoon area and elsewhere. The caroling is a highlight of Christmastime.

From the first tentative visit, the place's attraction grew and I gradually was assimilated into its network of volunteers. I now run the above-mentioned drawing class as well as a monthly music and poetry cabaret. The cabaret is called Cafe Improv. I invite Mr. McGowan to attend our Cafe where the extravagant \$1 admission affords an evening of entertainment with complimentary refreshments.

Mr. McGowan's letter is rather long on vitriol but, in complaining of an upscale and exclusive Arts Council, it assuredly doesn't reflect reality. Has he ever been there?

Maybe he should take the trouble to show up at 102 Witherspoon before he initiates a political campaign that might jeopardize the operation of a valuable institution. He might be surprised at how inviting it is. A word of caution, though. Mr. McGowan and his neighbors should take care or, like me, they might find themselves inexorably drawn in by the welcoming atmosphere and engaging activities of the place.

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## MUSIC & THEATRE

### Director and Cast Set for "Misanthrope"

Stephen Lang will play the leading role of Alceste in Moliere's classic comedy *The Misanthrope* next on the McCarter Theatre mainstage. Directed by award-winning Belgian director André Ernott, the production will open on Friday, March 15 and run through Sunday, March 31. Previews begin Tuesday, March 12.

The production marks a reunion for McCarter Theatre Artistic Director Emily Mann, Mr. Ernott and Mr. Lang, all of whom were involved with the Brooklyn Academy of Music Resident Theatre Company during the early 1980s. Ms. Mann and Mr. Lang have known each other since the late 1970s when both were working at The Guthrie Theatre in Minneapolis.

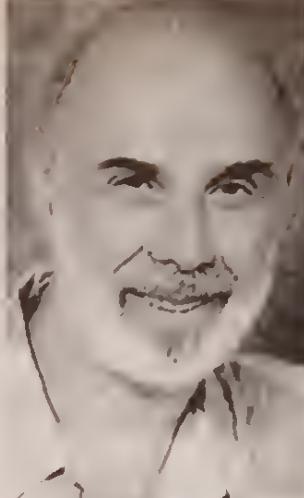
Mr. Lang is perhaps best known for his Broadway performances in *The Speed of Darkness* (Tony nomination), *A Few Good Men*, and *Death of a Salesman*. He made his feature film debut in *Twice in a Lifetime*. Following roles in *Monhunter*, *Project X*, and the cult film *Band of the Hand*, he took on the role of doomed strike leader Harry

Black in *Lost Exit to Brooklyn*.

He has also played leading roles in the films *Gettysburg*, *Tombstone*, *The Hard Way*, *Another You*, and *Guilty As Sin*. Mr. Lang's television credits include *Crime Story*, *Tribeca*, *Stone Pillow*, *The Mother*, *Season of Hope*, and his portrayal of the title role in *Babe Ruth*.

André Ernott has directed and written for stage, film, television and opera both in the United States and Europe. He is currently represented in New York with Polly Pen's musical *Bed and Sofa* at the Vineyard Theatre. Last season, Mr. Ernott directed *Wildwood Pork* for McCarter's Random Acts New Play Festival. His New York stage credits include *My Gene*, *Coming Attractions*, *Goblin Market*, *Lady Day at Emerson's Bar & Grill* and *Sunset*.

Mr. Ernott won an Obie Award for his direction of Polly Pen's *Christine Ahern's Father*, which also earned him a Drama Desk nomination. He has directed at leading regional theater across the country including Chicago's Goodman Theatre, where he directed Tennessee Williams' last play, *A House Is Not Meant to Stand*.



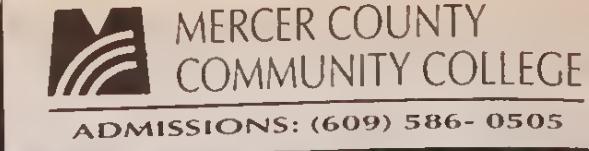
André Ernott

The film to be shown this Friday, March 8, is *Mi Vida Loco*, which focuses on the experience of Hispanic women in a gang-driven neighborhood. The reception to follow will celebrate International Women's Day.

Spike Lee's first film *She's Gotta Have It* will be shown Friday, March 29. This film tells the story of Nola Darling, a free-spirited woman trying to retain her independence in spite of the demands and vanities of her three male lovers. The discussion leader will be Manthia Diawara, professor of comparative literature at New York University.

A *Powerful Thong and Cycles*, two short films by African American filmmaker Zeinabu Irene Davis, will be shown on Friday, April 5. The director, a professor at Northwestern University, will discuss her work. *Daughters of the Dust*, a portrait of the Gullah culture of South

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Preview tickets for Tuesday, March 12 through Thursday, March 14, are \$15 and \$18. Tickets for all other performances, Friday, March 15 through Sunday, March 31, range in price from \$24 to \$32. To charge tickets by phone, call the box office at 683-8000.

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### Music/Theater

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Carolina's coastal Islands, is scheduled for Friday, April 12.

The series concludes on Thursday, April 18, with The Long Walk Home, starring Sissy Spacek and Whoopi Goldberg as two women who develop a forbidden friendship during the emotionally charged Montgomery, Ala., bus boycott of 1956. Nell Irvin Painter, professor of history at Princeton University, will be the discussion leader.

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### "Anne of Green Gables" At Kelsey Theatre

Anne of Green Gables, the story of a young orphaned girl with tremendous spirit and imagination, will be presented Saturday, March 16, at Kelsey Theatre, Mercer County Community College, West Windsor. Show times are 2 and 4.

A musical adaptation of Lucy Maud Montgomery's novel of the same title, Anne of Green Gables will be presented by Arts Power, a touring theater for young people and family audiences based in Ridgewood. The musical tells the story of Anne Shirley, a young orphaned girl who is sent to Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, to live with the Cuthberts, Matthew and his sister Marilla, who had requested a boy to help them with their chores around the farm. Anne strives to gain the love and trust of the Cuthberts and the people of Avonlea.

Tickets are \$7. For ticket information call 584-9444.

### Amateurs to Sing French Choral Works

Peter Lauffer, music director at the Princeton Unitarian Church, will lead the Princeton Society of Musical Amateurs in informal readings of two French choral works (to be sung in English): Gabriel Faure's *Contique de Rencine* and Maurice Duruflé's *Requiem*, on Sunday, March 10 at 4 p.m. in the Unitarian Church, Cherry Hill Road. Soloists for the Duruflé *Requiem* will be Paula Mueller-Farris, mezzo-soprano, and Devin Mariman, baritone. A full orchestra will provide the accompaniment.

Anyone who enjoys choral singing is welcome to join the chorus on a one-time basis for a \$4 admission fee or to join as a member for the season for \$20 (\$30 for couples). The admission fee includes refreshments and the use of a choral score. Students and non-participants are admitted free of charge.

### Contemporary Works In Concert at Taplin

The Composers' Ensemble at Princeton will present a concert of contemporary works by Princeton composers Tuesday evening, March 12, at 8 in Taplin Auditorium, Fine Hall.

The program will include *Scene sur une Véronde* by graduate student Inouk Demers, an opera scene for mezzo-soprano and bass-baritone accompanied by chamber ensemble. Performers include Martha Elliott, mezzo-soprano; Michael Wilson, bass-baritone; Tara O'Connor, flute and alto flute; Evan Spritzer, clarinet and bass clarinet; Marka Gustafson, viola; André Tarantiles, harp; and Danny Tunic, vibraphone. Michael Pratt will conduct.

*Revenge! Revenge!! Revenge!!!* by graduate student James Rolfe will be performed by violoncellist John Whitfield, clarinetist Evan Spritzer, vibraphonist Danny Tunic, and Pianist Elizabeth Di Felice.

Three guitarists — Michael Newman, Laura Altman, and Monica Mugan — will perform graduate student Daniel Trueman's *Theodring*.

Ms. Elliott will perform Milton Babbitt's 1957 song-cycle, *Du*, to texts by August Stramm, accompanied by piano.

nist Martin Goldray, she will also perform the American premiere of Bablitt's *Quatrains*, to poems of John Hollander, composed in 1993. Clarinetists Evan Spritzer and Michael Lowenstern will accompany.

Mr. Spritzer and Mr. Lowenstern will be joined by pianist Elizabeth Di Felice in a performance of graduate student Nicholas Brooke's *Fetish Cabinet*.

Planist Martin Goldray will perform three piano compositions of Claudio Spies: *Impromptu* (1963); *A Between-Birthdays Bngntelle* for Roger Sessions' 80th-81st (1977); and *Ein Aggregats-Wnlzerl* (1978).

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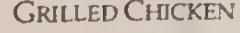
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### Organ Recital At University Chapel

Jay Smith will present an organ recital featuring works of Norman Landis Wednesday, March 13, at 12:30 at the Princeton University Chapel.

Mr. Landis was the organist and choirmaster of The Presbyterian Church of Flemington for 60 years. Active as a composer throughout his life, he composed approximately 150 organ and choral compositions.

Mr. Smith is currently the

director of Music and organist at The Presbyterian Church of Flemington. He is a graduate of Westminster Choir College and holds a bachelor of music degree in church music/organ.

The public is invited to attend the half-hour recital free of charge.

### Premiere of Concerto By N.J. Symphony Set

Zdenek Macal, artistic director and conductor of the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra, will lead the orchestra in the New Jersey premiere of Ellen Taaffe Zwilich's Concerto for Piano, Cello and Orchestra in two concerts in this area.

The first will take place Thursday, March 14, at 8 p.m. at the State Theatre in New Brunswick. The second will be held on Friday, March 15, at 8:30 in Richardson Auditorium on the Princeton University campus. The program will also include Beethoven's Overture to Coriolan and the Beethoven Concerto in C Major for Piano, Violin, Cello and Orchestra and

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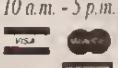
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### Music/Theater

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Beethoven's Symphony No. 8  
in F Major.

Joseph Kalichstein, piano, Jaime Laredo, violin, and Sharon Robinson, cello, will be featured in the two triple concertos. The three artists perform individually and also as the Kalichstein-Laredo-Robinson Trio.

Tickets are \$36, \$28, \$20 and \$12. For ticket information call 1-800-ALLEGRO or (201) 624-8203 Monday through Saturday from 11 to 5.

### Princeton Debut Planned For Van Swieten Quartet

Concert Royal, a New York-based period instrument orchestra, continues its 1995-96 series, Baroque and Classical Masterworks, at Richardson Auditorium on Saturday, March 16 at 8 p.m., presenting The Van Swieten Quartet in its Princeton debut.

A pre-concert talk, "Playing the great quartets on original instruments" will be given by Patrick Jordan, violist of The van Swieten Quartet at 7.

The program includes Mozart's *Dissonant* Quartet in C Major, K. 465; Haydn's Quartet in D Major, Op. 20, No. 4; and Beethoven's Quartet in F Major, Op. 18, No. 1.

Members of The van Swieten Quartet are violinists Elizabeth Field and Cleland

Kinloch Earle; violist Patrick Jordan and cellist Phoebe Carral.

Since its formation in 1993, the quartet has performed throughout New England and California. It is in residence at the Longy School of Music in Cambridge, Mass., and has appeared as part of the chamber music series of the Handel & Haydn Society of Boston. It was also in residency at California State University at Sacramento.

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Ms. Rohrer is associate

dean of the faculty at Princeton University. She earned her Ph.D. in musicology at Princeton in 1980, and taught there for three years before joining the faculty of the Department of Music at Columbia University.

She returned to Princeton in 1988, and was director of studies at Wilson College and assistant dean of the college before assuming her present post.

Those wishing to attend the lectures must be holding tickets to the University Orchestra concerts. Tickets are \$10, \$5 for students, and may be obtained at the Richardson box office, 258-5000.

Katherine T. Rohrer will

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day, March 7, and Satur-

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## ART

March Gallery Talks  
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Art from four countries on two continents will be examined in gallery talks at the Princeton University Art Museum during the month of March.

Sponsored by the Docent Association, each talk will be held at 12:30 p.m. on Fridays and repeated at 3 p.m. the following Sunday.

On March 8 and 10, former docent LaVerne George will speak on "The Art of Silence: Giorgio Morandi." The 20th-century Italian artist gained fame gradually over a 50-year career through his small, pale paintings of bottles and a series of complex, exquisite black and white etchings.

On March 15 and 17, several works in the collection will be examined in "Chaim

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Soutine: A Passionate 1994. His mission was two-Response to Life" by Docent fold — to turn the photo-Alexandra Thompson, who graphic silkscreens into a will relate the events of the show that would open in French artist's life to his art. Washington, D.C., in March

On March 22 and 24, the of 1995, and to escort five story behind the primitive orphans back to the United paintings of the 19th century States to new adoptive will be explored by Docent families.

Elsbeth Lewin in "The Amer- Since its opening, the show can Tradition of Itinerant has met with critical acclaim. Painting." The portraits by Mr. Gerstner has also had one- Ammi Phillips and other less man shows and exhibits celebrated or anonymous art- across the nation and his lits will be featured.

On March 29 and 31, the subject will be "Art and

Nature: Dutch and Flemish Depictions of Gardens in The Art Museum." John Pinto, professor in the Department of Art and Archaeology at Princeton University, will focus on two paintings by David Vinckeboons and Scene in a Formal Garden by Ludolph de Jongh.

Gallery Talks are open to the public free of charge. Each session is expected to last approximately 30 minutes.

## Exhibits

A exhibition of photo-graphic silkscreens depicting the children of the orphaning artist. Formerly curator ages in Hanoi, Vietnam, by at the Levy Gallery in Philadelphia, he is now a full-time play in the Brodsky Gal- artist.

lery at Educational Testing Service now through March through Saturday, 12 to 5 p.m.

Mr. Gerstner, a Flemington artist, photographed the Vietnamese orphans on behalf of Holt International Children's Services in the summer of

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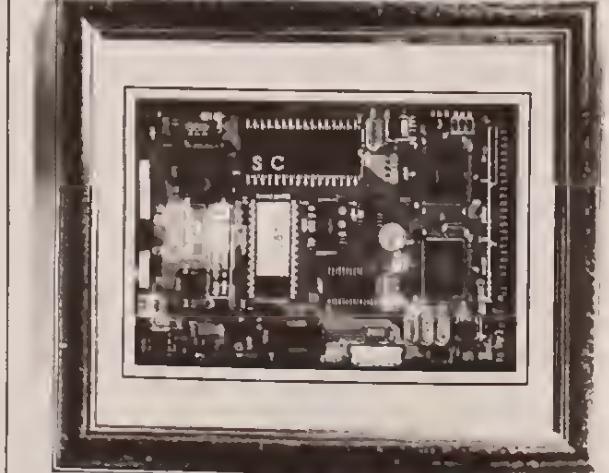
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**ARTIST AT WORK:** A collection of watercolors, oils, and etchings by Lyn Lyndall will be at the Present Day Club, 72 Stockton Street, through April 26.

### Art

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"Interweave," at the Elsa Mott Ives Gallery, 610 Lexington Avenue, New York City, through April 4.

Included in the exhibit are cold-connected sculpture created from non-traditional metal materials done by three artists.

An exhibit of watercolor and oil paintings, etchings and small hydro-stone castings by Lyn Lyndall will be at the Present Day Club during March and April.

A lifelong resident of Pennington, and a fourth-generation artist, she is a graduate of the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts.

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"STILL LIFE," a lithograph by Charles McVicker, can be seen at Main Street Gallery and Frame Co., Montgomery Center, through May 11. The exhibit features works by Mr. McVicker and his wife, Lucy Graves McVicker.

Her work has been exhibited at numerous juried shows, including The Rittenhouse Square Fine Arts Show in Philadelphia, the largest outdoor art show on the east coast. She won "best of show" at the Burlington Fine Arts Show, and her work has been featured at the Extension Gallery and, currently, the Queenstown Gallery in Pennington.

Her exhibit at the club, 72 Stockton Street, is open to the public weekdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. except Wednesday from 2:30 p.m. The club is closed on weekends. An artist's reception will be held on Friday, March 8, from 6 to 8 p.m.

Beginning Friday, March 8, Main Street Gallery will show the works of two established artists from Rocky Hill, Lucy Graves McVicker and Charles McVicker. The gallery invites everyone to an opening reception to meet the artists on March 8, from 5 to 8 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres and refreshments will be served.

The exhibit will provide a chance to view first-hand the festive flowers and gentle landscapes of Lucy Graves McVicker. Using impressions of rolling hills, wild flowers and gentle streams, her imagination creates moods and images that surprise and captivate.

Charles McVicker's landscapes by contrast are a quiet reflection of bucolic America, in hiatus between the swelter of summer and the rigors of winter. His open edition prints of familiar local scenes will be on hand as will be his sunlit still life arrangements. Both Mr. and Mrs. McVicker will sign any open edition prints purchased throughout the evening.

Main Street Gallery & Frame Co. is located in Montgomery Center, Rocky Hill. The exhibit will continue through May 11.

#### Community Crafters

Applications for this year's Community Crafters, the annual spring celebration of the arts, are now available at the Arts Council of Princeton. Community Crafters will take place on Saturday, April 27, from noon to 4 p.m. For an application, call the Arts Council at 924-8777, Monday through Friday, between 10 and 6.

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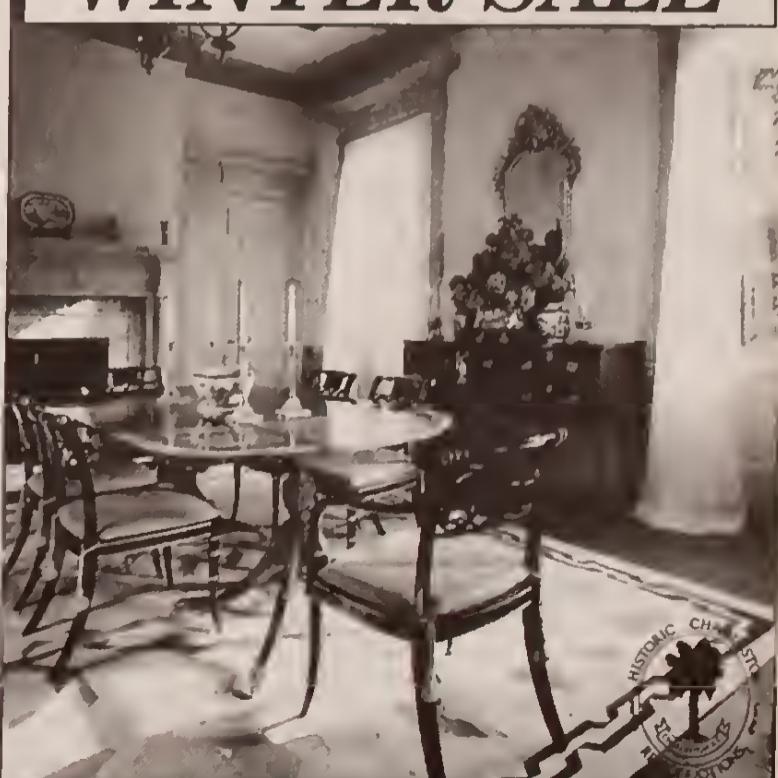
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## Engagements and Weddings

### Engagements

**Lister-Feinberg.** Julie A. Lister, daughter of Daniel B. and Bobette Lister, Mercer Road, to Geoffrey D. Feinberg, son of Sally A. Feinberg of Burlington, Vt., and the late Melvyn J. Feinberg.

Ms. Lister, a graduate of Princeton High School and Cornell University, is an account supervisor with DDB Needham in New York City.

Mr. Feinberg is a graduate of Kent State University and Dartmouth College. He is an associate project director at Roper Starch Worldwide in New York City.

A September wedding is planned.

**Maze-Garafano.** Bonnie Lee Maze, daughter of Morris and Bernice Maze of Hopewell, to Charles L. Garafano Jr., son of Charles and Barbara Garafano of Whitehouse Station.

Ms. Maze, a graduate of the Pennington School, is a floral designer with Mae's Floral Shop in Flemington.

Mr. Garafano is a graduate of Hunterdon Central High School in Flemington. He is self-employed as a financial consultant for Garafano Financial Services in Whitehouse Station.

An October wedding is planned.

**Lesesne-Trelstad.** Catherine P. Lesesne, daughter of Edward and Jane Lesesne of Canton, N.C., to Brian R. Trelstad, son of Robert and Barbara Trelstad, Westcott Road.

Ms. Lesesne received a bachelor's degree from Yale University in English and a second bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from the University of Maryland, College Park. She is currently enrolled in a Ph.D. program in chemical engineering at the University of California, Berkeley.

Mr. Trelstad, a graduate of Princeton High School and Harvard University, is director of the Center for National Service and the Environment on the Presidio in San Francisco.

A June wedding in Canton, N.C. is planned.

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## News of Clubs and Organizations

**Jewish Women International**, formerly B'Nai B'Rith Women - Princeton Chapter, will hold its 22nd annual Blintze Brunch on Wednesday, March 13 at 11:30 a.m. at the home of Helen Smith.

There will be a talk and slide presentation by Jackie Meisel, Art Historian and docent at the Princeton University Art Museum, on "Women in the Princeton Art Museum Collection." Blintzes will be by Celia Herzog.

Support of this event will help fund such activities as the Hillel, the Anti-Defamation League and B.B.W.'s Children's Residential Center in Israel.

For information call Roslyn Dayan, 497-1921.

The **Delaware-Raritan Girl Scout Council** will honor seven women at its fifth annual Women of Distinction event on Thursday, March 14 at the Chauncey Conference Center, Educational Testing Service. Nominees were selected for their outstanding achievements and dedication to the betterment of their community.

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**The Amateur Astronomers Association** of Princeton will meet on Tuesday, March 12 at 8 p.m. in Peyton Hall at Princeton University. The speaker will be Dr. Gordon Bjoraker of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA). His talk, "Kulper Airborne Observatory (KAO) Observations of Comet Shoemaker-Levy's Crash with Jupiter," will review data obtained using Infrared spectroscopy.

Dr. Bjoraker, with a degree in physics and astronomy and a doctorate in planetary science, has conducted most of his research in remote sensing of planetary atmospheres using Infrared spectroscopy.

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The **Friends of Princeton Athletics** will hold their monthly meeting on Wednesday, March 13 at 8 p.m. in the Princeton High School faculty dining room, behind the cafeteria.

All parents are encouraged to attend to discuss upcoming events, such as the 1997 athletic budget and the year-end awards ceremony. For more information call Angela Cortese, 921-7263.

Each woman will be presented with a crystal Tiffany paper weight with her name engraved on the back. The evening will include a cocktail hour, dinner, video presentation and award ceremony. Two hundred people are expected to attend.

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The ninth annual Thompson Lectureship, honoring the

outstanding contributions to Classical Archaeology of Homer and Dorothy Thompson of Princeton, will present Professor C. Brian Rose of the University of Cincinnati, whose illustrated lecture is entitled "Recent Greek and Roman excavations at Troy, Turkey."

Rather than the Bronze Age Troy made famous by Schliemann's excavations, Dr. Rose will concentrate on the Greek and Roman phases of the site, excavated between 1991 and 1995.

Having previously excavated in Turkey at Aphrodisias, Dr. Rose received the Prix de Rome. His next book, *Dynastic Art and Ideology in the Julio-Clodian Period* is being published by the Cambridge University Press.

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## Wins Over Cornell and Columbia Set Up Princeton-Penn Showdown

The final weekend was representative of the whole season. Princeton won pretty, and then Princeton won ugly. They have alternately delighted coach Pete Carril and horrified him, but the most consistent feature of the Tiger men's basketball team in the second half of this season has been the ability to win.

Princeton blew out Cornell on Friday, 65-49, and squeezed past Columbia 57-55 on Saturday. But the scores were unimportant on Tuesday night, as the Tigers prepared to face Pennsylvania

## SPORTS

nia in a game that could win Princeton its first Ivy title since 1992. All that mattered was the string of 12 Ivy League "W's" they took down to Philadelphia with them.

The last time Princeton lost was at home, against the Quakers, 57-55 on January 6. The loss set a task for the Tigers: they had to finish the season without another one. Headed into Tuesday night's game, which was played as TOWN TOPICS went to press, they hadn't.

A win over the 11-2 Quakers would have put Princeton on top of the League with a 13-1 record, and ensured the Tigers an NCAA Tournament bid. A loss would have put both teams at an even 12-2, and necessitated a one-game play-off at Lehigh University on Saturday night.

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game had attracted national attention. It was televised on ESPN2, and Las Vegas oddsmakers had Penn winning by three points. Brad Diamond, whose gambling tips are syndicated nationally, and who has heretofore concealed his passion for Ivy hoops, wrote Tuesday that he could sense a Princeton upset.

In this past weekend's play, the Tigers knew that they needed two wins to guarantee themselves two opportunities to take the title. The way they played against Cornell on Friday, it looked as though they were going to take no chances.

Princeton played the Big Red fairly close for the first 10 minutes. Carril's players owned a modest 14-13 lead before they exploded in what would turn out to be a devastating run.

The Tigers held Cornell scoreless for the final 9:40 of the first half and continued on through the first three minutes of the second half. By halftime, the score was 30-13. The lead grew to 57-26 at its peak, at which point Carril pulled his starters and allowed the Big Red to make it respectable.

The Tiger defense was typically stifling. Cornell's Brandt Schuckman, one of the League's leading scorers, was the only Cornell player in double figures, with 11 points.

On the other end of the floor, the Tiger offense was hitting on all cylinders. Four Princeton players were in double figures, led by freshman Brian Earl, who had 15.

Earl, coming off a difficult



**"D" IS KEY:** Sophomore Center Steve Goodrich poured in a career-high 24 points against Columbia on Saturday, but it was his defense that would be tested Tuesday, as he faced Penn's Tim Krug.

weekend against Dartmouth and Harvard, was 2-for-3 from three-point range, and shot 6-for-9 overall.

Junior captain Sydney Johnson, when he wasn't busy holding Cornell guard Alex Compton to two points, took the time to pour in 14 points for the Tigers on 6-for-12 shooting (2-for-7 from three-point range).

Senior Chris Doyal, a four-year varsity regular, played like he was on track for the first Ivy League title of his career. The 6'5 Texan scored 13 points and led the Tigers in rebounds with six.

Coming off the bench, it was sophomore Mitch Henderson who provided the spark for the first-half rally. The 6'2 guard scored 13 points on 5-for-9 shooting (2-for-4 from three-point range.)

#### A Near-Lapse

The big worry this past weekend was that by looking ahead to the Penn game, the Tigers would slip up and lose to a weak team. That nearly happened on Saturday.

Coached by former Princeton star, and later assistant coach Armond Hill, the Columbia Lions gave Princeton a scare in New York City.

In the first half of the game, the lead rocked back and forth like a pendulum. Colum-

#### PU/Penn Playoff Tickets On Sale Wednesday

In case of a Princeton loss at Penn on Tuesday night, the Ivy League had scheduled a playoff game between the Tigers and Quakers to determine which squad gets the League's automatic NCAA Tournament bid.

If necessary, the playoff will take place at Lehigh University's Stabler Arena, in Bethlehem, Pa., on Saturday, March 9. Tip-off is at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are scheduled to go on sale through the Princeton and Penn ticket offices on Wednesday morning, and will also be sold at the arena. Stabler Arena seats approximately 5,500. The cost is \$12 for adults and \$5 for students.

The Princeton University Ticket Office can be reached at 258-3538 between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

bias jumped ahead 16-6 in the early going, but a late 21-0 run by the Tigers left the score 34-23 in the Tigers' favor by halftime.

Hill, well-schooled in the Princeton style of play, brought his team back in the second half. The Lions chipped away at the 11-point deficit, aided by the Tigers' miserable 1-for-13 three-point shooting.

Princeton center Steve Goodrich, who led all scorers with 24 points, was dominant in the middle, but when he got into foul trouble in the second half, the Lions took advantage immediately.

Columbia had made the score 43-37 when Goodrich was whistled for his fourth foul. With 14:31 remaining, Goodrich sat down for the next 4:30. Princeton couldn't find the net during that stretch, and when the Tiger center returned to the floor, the score was 43-41.

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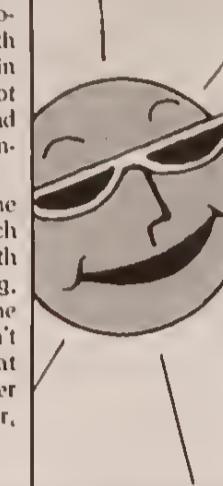
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The teams traded baskets until the 2:40 mark, when two points from Earl made the score 51-46. Still, the Lions did not lie down. They brought the deficit to three points, at 55-52, with 15 points remaining.

Sophomore forward Jamie Mastaglio hit two free throws at the 11-second mark, and although the Lions hit another three to make the difference two points, time was not on their side. Princeton was able to exhaust the clock in the final seconds.

Goodrich was 9-for-15 from the floor and 6-for-8 from the free throw line for his 24 points. Doyal was the only other Tiger in double figures, shooting 5-for-8 from the floor. Doyal also led all rebounders with eight, and had four assists.

**Other Ivy Action**

In the final weekend of play for the remaining teams in the League, nothing out of the ordinary happened.

Dartmouth retained its hold on third place, beating last-place Yale in overtime at Hanover, 65-63, and overcoming Brown 64-54.

Harvard, which once contended for the League title, remained at .500 and in fourth place. Playing at home, the Crimson lost to Brown 75-62 on Friday, before ending its season with an 87-67 trouncing of Yale.

—Rob Garver

**Ivy League Basketball**

Friday, March 1

Princeton 65 Brown 49  
Penn 82 Columbia 62  
Brown 75 Harvard 62  
Dartmouth 65 Yale 63 (OT)

Saturday, March 2

Princeton 57 Columbia 55  
Penn 70 Cornell 55  
Harvard 87 Yale 67  
Dartmouth 64 Brown 54

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Princeton	12	1	.923
Pennsylvania	11	2	.846
Dartmouth	9	5	.643
Harvard	7	7	.500
Cornell	5	9	.357
Brown	5	9	.357
Yale	3	11	.214
Columbia	3	11	.214

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'97), the Tigers survived a first-half slowdown by the home team, and then a furious second half rally, for their 12-9 triumph.

Attempting to negate Old Nassau's explosive attack, Hopkins began the game holding the ball for long stretches of time on offense. The strategy worked for the entire first quarter, which ended with the Blue Jays ahead 2-1. They sandwiched a pair of goals around one by sophomore attackman Chris Massey.

But in the second, Princeton's four- and sometimes five-attackman plan began to pay dividends. Todd Elschlager, Lorne Smith, Jeff MacBean and Jon Hess all scored inside of seven minutes, and the Tigers were suddenly ahead 5-2. A Hopkins tally momentarily stemmed the tide, but Ben Strutt and Hess scored in the final minute for a 7-3 lead at the intermission.

**The Turning Point**

"That was the turning point of the game," commented Blue Jay coach Tony Seamon. "Second quarter, 40 seconds left and it gets away from us. They run it down, score a goal, win the face-off and score another. That really hurt."

The home team appeared ready to climb back into contention when it opened the third with its fourth goal, but the Tigers had three answers for that one, two from Jesse Hubbard, and one from Mark Whaling. The Tigers' lead was 10-4 at this point, but Hopkins, perhaps mindful of last year's come-from-behind victory, pumped in the next four goals to close to within two, with 6:47 left in the game.

It had an excellent chance at making it 10-9, but a shot by a Hopkins attackman sailed just over the cage. Rob Neff picked up the loose ball, and cleared it to Strutt at midfield. He found Hubbard near the goal, and the sophomore made it 11-8. Fifty-nine seconds later Hubbard had his fourth, and Princeton allowed Hopkins just one more goal the rest of the way.

"Jesse's not a natural



**FOUR FOR HUBBARD:** Moved from midfield to attack, Jesse Hubbard tallied four times against Johns Hopkins in Princeton's 12-9 win over the Blue Jays last Saturday.

attackman," Tierney commented about his converted midfielder. "What he is, is a goal scorer, and that's what he did today."

With one exception, the statistics at the end showed a very even game in shots, 33-32 in Princeton's favor; saves, 12 each; and face-offs, 13-12 in Princeton's favor. Ground balls were another story. The Tigers killed Hopkins in picking up the loose balls, 48-29. In the second and third quarters when the Tigers did most of their scoring, the edge was 30-13.

Neither team did much with its extra man opportunities: Princeton was one-for-six, Hopkins zero-for-four. Pat Cairns played the whole way in goal for the Tigers.

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## Split Last Weekend Enables Tiger Hockey to Sneak into 10th Place

Given the season the Princeton hockey team has had, its final resting place at the end of the ECAC's regular season last weekend is just where it belonged: the 10th and final spot in the playoffs.

The Tigers (7-18-4 overall, 5-14-3 ECAC) defeated Union, 4-3, on Friday night to guarantee themselves at least a preliminary round game, but couldn't follow through with another triumph Saturday evening, losing to RPI, 4-1. A sweep would have put the Orange and Black in Baker Rink for the contest this past Tuesday night.

Instead, coach Don Cahoon's skaters found themselves headed to play none other than seventh-place Brown in Providence, in a battle unfortunately played too late to be reported here. Old Nassau did better against the Bruins than it did against any other team this winter, winning there, 3-2, and tying here, 1-1. Brown had lost six straight games since that tie, and was missing one of its best players, senior forward Brian Jardine (23 points) who quit the team for personal reasons.

The Orange and Black had that memorable quarterfinal round series in Providence last March, winning the third and decisive game to advance to the ECAC Final Four in Lake Placid. Overall, the Tigers have won four of the last



**GAME WINNER:** Matt Brush scored his second goal since returning from a two-month injury, this one the game winner in the 4-3 triumph over Union last Friday.

five games played on Brown's ice.

If they go for five out of six, the next opponent will be high-flying Vermont in Burlington this Friday and Saturday. The Catamounts, who haven't lost a game in more than a month, finished first in the ECAC. Vermont defeated Princeton twice this winter, and if it gets to Burlington Old Nassau will have its hands full.

### A Feeling of Dejo Vu

Eleven days ago against Dartmouth, Princeton fell behind 2-0, scored three consecutive goals in the second period to take the lead, gave up the tying tally, and then won the game in the third. Last Friday in Schenectady, the Tigers followed the same script, and again came out a winner.

The Skating Dutchmen, who had already ripped Cahoon's troops 6-1, looked ready to give a repeat performance, scoring once in the first and another early in the second. That one apparently served as a wake-up call, because less than two minutes later freshman Syl Apps answered for Princeton, assisted by Jason Given and Barrington Miller.

With the Orange and Black a man up, another freshman Scott Bertoli, assisted by Tony Ranaldi, slammed in the tying marker midway through

the stanza. It was the only luster game against Vermont, time in five power play chances Princeton could capitalize. Last Saturday in a battle for seventh place, the Tigers it didn't matter this time, didn't look much better Jonathan Kelley got his team against an RPI team that had leading 15th goal at 13:40 to lost eight of its last nine. With

put his team ahead 3-2. one goal in the first and three

Six minutes into the third more in the second, the Engineers rallied to tie the game, but Matt Brush proved again Ranaldi's goal, assisted by how much he had been Casson Master and Bertoli, missed, scoring the game-saved the Orange and Black winner at 10:54. Steve Shirreffs set him up. Princeton was all. Neither team scored peppered the Union goal with in the third, and Princeton's 39 shots; Union fired 28 on 32 to 23 edge in shots meant goalie James Konte.

little. —Jeb Stuart

"We knew we were better than what we showed in the first period," Cahoon said after the game. "If we can have this type of effort again, we'll be able to host the preliminary game."

### Dejo Vu All Over Again

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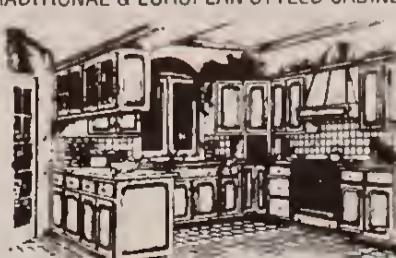
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## Tiger Baseball Hopes to Rise from Ashes in 1996

On the upside, they have experience. On the downside, a lot of that experience has been unpleasant.

The Princeton University baseball team will start its 1996 campaign in 10 days, playing 11 games in an eight day swing through New Mexico and Texas. The Tigers will be trying to put behind them a difficult 1995, in which they went 8-12 in Ivy League play, and finished last in the Gehrig Division.

Coach Tom O'Connell will lead a squad that lost only two regular players to graduation. In his 15th year at Princeton, O'Connell will have the help of senior captain Mike Ciminiello in trying to transform a team that folded its tent early in League action last year.

The team's greatest loss was Dave Kahney, a workhorse of a pitcher, whose 3.51 ERA and five wins were better than any other hurler on the staff. Zack Perry, a solid first baseman and the team's best hitter (.321) also took his diploma and left in June.

To climb out of the Gehrig basement, the Tigers are going to need a more solid performance than their pitching staff provided next year. The Princeton hurlers posted a team ERA of 5.46 last year, almost a full run per game worse than their opponents.

Senior Chris Yarbrough is but one right-hander in a staff overloaded with them. Yarbrough's 6.89 ERA will have to drop some if he is to better the 2-6 record he posted last season. He has good control, walking only 14 batters in 49.2 innings last season.

Other starters, senior Koleman Karleski and junior Brian Volpp, will return to the mound, bringing ERAs of 5.63 and 5.67, respectively. Both have shown the ability to dominate a game, but neither was able to do it on a consistent basis last season. Karleski throws hard, but walked more than one batter per inning last year.

John Edgar threw significant innings for the Tigers last year, and among regular-duty pitchers, returns a team-best 3.93 ERA. Edgar was second to Kahney in wins last year, posting a 3-4 record.

Out of the bullpen, O'Connell will use lefty Jade Landfried and righty Kevin McLaughlin. This is an area of concern: both turned in ERAs over 6.00 last season, and with 12 and nine relief appearances respectively, neither recorded a save.

### Behind the Plate

The Tigers have a pair of experienced catchers returning. Team captain Ciminiello will share time with his classmate, senior Peter Siletti. O'Connell worked both players into most games last year. While one catches, the other can often be found in the designated hitting slot. Ciminiello will also spend time at first base.

Ciminiello led the team with six home runs last year. He hit .238 and had 28 RBIs, second best on the team in that category.

A switch hitter, Siletti struggled last year, finishing with a .213 average. His career average is a somewhat better .247. Siletti is clearly the team's most patient hitter, having drawn 28 walks last season.

With the exception of first baseman Perry, the Tigers return most of their infield from last year. Juniors Sean McQuaid and Michael Keck are currently battling for starting rights at the position. Both played some third base last year, Keck more than McQuaid.

Both showed promise as hitters. McQuaid was .385 in 13 at bats. Keck saw more action, but still hit .316 in 38 at bats.

The ever-reliable Dave Ekelund will man second base again this year. Ekelund started 40 of 41 games last year, and turned in one of the best batting performances of any Tiger. He hit .296 and had the highest on-base percentage (.516) of any regular player.

Another 40-game starter in 1995, Joe Quinn, will be holding down shortstop. Quinn, who combined with Ekelund for 18 double plays last season, was also a potent offensive weapon. He hit a solid .261 last season, and was among team leaders with 22 runs scored.

Back at third will be senior Tom Hage. Hage is a reliable fielder and a dangerous hitter. He finished the 1995 season with a .293 average, and led the team in doubles (8) and RBIs (32).

### The Outfield

There is plenty of experience in the Princeton outfield as well. Senior Todd Kata, O'Connell's usual center fielder last year, looks to be making a move to right field. Kata hit an impressive .310 last year, and led the squad in runs scored, with 24.

Center field is the position most in question. The current top choice is former infielder Justin Griffin. Griffin spent most of his time on the junior varsity squad last season, but hopes to make the leap to a starting varsity slot as a sophomore. He made 10 appearances last season as a varsity player, and hit .222 in nine at bats.

In left, a battle rages between junior Tyler Bronson and sophomore Michael Hazen. The advantage would appear to belong to Hazen, whom O'Connell used in 32 contests last season. Bronson made it into a comparable 30 games, but his .246 batting average may place him behind Hazen's .308.

### The Ivy Season

The first home game of the year is on March 27, when St. Peter's will visit. On the 30th, the Tigers will host Rutgers, traveling to the Scarlet Knights' home field for a return match on the next day.

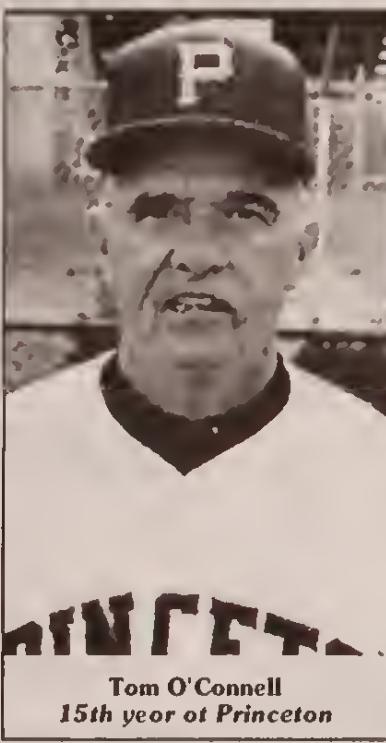
Ivy League play begins for the Tigers on April 5 and 6, when they host Dartmouth and Harvard in a pair of double headers.

Princeton does not play another Ivy home game until April 27 and 28, when they are scheduled for a four-game homestand against defending Gehrig Division and Ivy League champion Pennsylvania.

The league season finishes on May 5, with a home twinbill against Cornell.

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—Rob Garver



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15th year at Princeton

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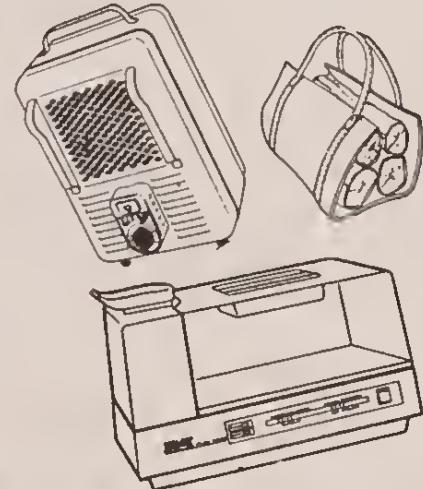


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## Future Search

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Financial support for the conference came from the Princeton Area Community Foundation and from the Medical Center at Princeton. Princeton University provided the meeting space in the Engineering Quadrangle from Thursday noon through Saturday noon.

The planning committee sent out some 120 invitations to "stakeholders" — residents and service providers who have a "stake" or particular interest in the well-being of older people in the community. The response was "overwhelming," according to Mrs. Porter. The planning committee hoped for 50 participants. Space constraints forced them to cut off attendance at 82, some of whom were not able to attend at the last moment.

The conference was an amalgam of small group discussion, whole group brainstorming, identifying trends, developing scenarios, reporting to the whole, listening, learning, disagreeing and finally coming to consensus. Participants were assigned to small groups

individual groups got together in three larger groups to analyze the time lines, identify important themes and patterns and make a report to the whole. In terms of housing, for instance, it was recognized that the need was established early but that actual construction of low cost housing came later; that although the need for low cost housing for seniors has largely been met, there is not enough appropriate moderate income housing; and that since 1986 there has been no new housing built for seniors of any income level.

The next task was "Focus on the Eternal Present." Starting Friday morning, with the help of Mr. Copleman and Ms. Matteson, the entire group created a "mind map" of all the trends facing the future of Princeton vis-a-vis its senior citizens right now. This was a brainstorming session with all participants gathered in front of the wall on which long strips of paper had been taped.

"Mind-mapping is a different way of organizing thought," Mr. Copleman explained. The group was encouraged to be specific in



**MIND-MAPPING/BRAINSTORMING:** Ralph Copleman, one of the facilitators of last week's Future Search conference, listens to an idea for a trend affecting Princeton seniors today from Township Mayor Michele Tuck. Nancy Kleing of the Princeton Area Community Foundation is to the left of Mayor Tuck, along with Rhona Porter, social services provider at Elm Court, and Claire Jacobus of the Senior Resource Center board. (Roz Denard photo)

of eight, divided as groups of stakeholders with a similar interest, such as housing, and also as a mix of representatives from the various stakeholder groups.

The stakeholder groups included Housing, Arts & Recreation, Health, Long Term Care, Social Services, Administrators, Advocates, Basic Services and the entire Joint Commission on Aging.

Following the buffet lunch on Thursday, Mr. Copleman explained the ground rules. All ideas are valid, he said; all information is to be written on flip charts (big pads of paper on easels, one easel to a group). Times would be given for each of the five tasks the conference would be tackling over the next three days, and everyone was asked to abide by the time frames given.

The groups would be self-managed, each appointing its own discussion leader, recorder, reporter, time-keeper and data manager in charge of posting the flip charts on the wall.

"Seek common ground and action," Mr. Copleman advised. Differences and problems can be noted and understood, he said, but not "worked." "Have fun," he added.

Thursday afternoon was spent developing three time lines: what had happened in the decades since 1967 in the personal lives of the participants, in the world at large and insofar as seniors in Princeton were concerned. The purpose of the first two was to establish a sense of commonality in the group at large. Creating the third helped remind the group as a whole just what were the milestones in services to seniors in the town over the last 30 years.

Continuing the Focus on the Past,

citing trends — things that are happening today that affect seniors in Princeton — which he and Ms. Matteson then wrote on the paper. The ideas came fast: reduced federal funding; rising property taxes; people living longer, healthier lives; more people living alone; advent of managed health care; advances in medical technology; depersonalization of medical care; people being forced to move; inadequate transportation services;

Also, older adults having to take care of children and grandchildren; loneliness, depression, suicide, alcoholism and drug abuse among the elderly; segregation of the elderly into retirement homes; reduction in health care benefits by employers; early retirement; decreased communication between generations; seniors being excluded from the information network.

When the paper was filled and everyone had been heard, the conferees were given colored dots according to their stakeholder group color and instructed to put them on the trends they felt were personally most important to them. All the trends mentioned above received many dots, but "divisiveness," a word heard often during the conference, received the most dots of all.

Mr. Copleman then sent everyone back into their stakeholder groups to make a mini-map of the trends that affect that particular group. Group members were asked to list some examples of things their stakeholder group is doing right now in relation to these trends, and to indicate things they want to be doing.

Reporting for the health group, Pat Lamb, Princeton Medical Center vice president for Merwick, cited the increasing numbers of older people living alone, the increase in needs for mental and physical health care;

  
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changes in reimbursement leading to more out-of-pocket costs; and the increased need for long term care, hospice, subacute care and home care.

She cited as things this group felt it was "doing right" health promotions and health screenings, free flu shots and multilingual services. Under opportunities to improve, she mentioned better communication, improved coordination among providers, a better understanding of the system and a sensitivity to cultural diversity. "Continue to improve on what we are doing right," Ms. Lamb summarized.

The other part of this task was to Focus on the Internal Present, subtitled "Prouds and Sorries." Each group was asked to brainstorm a list of things going on right now that the group is proud of in terms of its relationship to seniors in Princeton, as well as a list of things it is sorry about in that relationship. Having compiled a list, each group was asked to select three "prouds" and three "sorries" and report to the whole.

The Long Term Care group, to pick another stakeholder group, said it was proudest of its staff, growth and the growth in the volunteer sector. On the sorry side, its reporter said, "We're sorry we've not been able to improve reimbursement for long term care, that we have not provided better discharge planning from hospital to the community, and that there is not an interim housing option between independent living and a nursing home."

The Joint Commission on Aging said it was proud of its members, its position of advocacy and its dedication to helping all seniors in town. It was sorriest about divisiveness in the group and the fact that it may not fully represent the diversity of the community. "We need more men on the Commission," Gertrude Dubrovsky, a long-time member of the Commission said, "and more ethnic representation." She also cited "failure to communicate effectively with the governing bodies" as a "sorry."

"Everyone is being incredibly honest," someone remarked when Mr. Copleman asked everyone what they were thinking after this particular exercise.

After lunch Friday it was time to turn from the past and the present to the future. The directions were to image the future for senior citizens in Princeton "as you want to make it happen." Participants went back to their original mixed small groups and were directed to think ahead to the year 2006. They were given 90 minutes to create a scenario reflecting the situation of seniors in Princeton, in that year, the "ideal" reality in terms of housing, health care, finance and economics, communications, and recreation, socialization, education and volunteerism. How it would be paid for was not to be taken into consideration.

The groups were encouraged to be creative in describing their scenarios to the whole. Some chose a TV or radio broadcast as the vehicle by which they described the facilities and services they would want to see in place; others took an imaginary bus ride through

Princeton of 2006, showing off the new multi-use multi-generational cultural and recreational center, the CCRC at Tusculum (a common theme), the jitney buses serving the entire town, and the mixed housing they envisioned in the vicinity of Stanworth, Merwick and the YM-YWCA. They spoke of seniors receiving tax credit for services, English literature classes at the high school and seniors surfing the internet.

"Congratulate yourselves on a job thoroughly well done," Mr. Copleman told the conferees afterwards. The next task was for the individual groups to post the most commonly mentioned themes on cards on the wall, along with themes mentioned by others that a group might want to incorporate into the future and unresolved issues.

On Saturday morning, working from the cards on the wall, the group as a whole eliminated duplication and one by one agreed on nine things those present would be willing to work on. In addition to an Office on Aging, a Council on Aging, a CCRC someplace, mixed housing, Improved health care delivery and a greater emphasis on Intergenerational programs, the group agreed that it would see tax relief for seniors, a multifunctional community center and improved transportation for seniors. However, when it came time to gather around one of these issues to create an action plan to make it happen, there were no volunteers for tax relief, a community center or transportation.

Those who said they would work toward a CCRC developed an action plan that included locating developers and possible sites; educating the town about a CCRC, lobbying for it and promoting it; and working toward changing ordinances. Those interested in housing agreed to support the CCRC group and to be an advocacy group working for changes in the Princeton Community Master Plan and zoning ordinances.

The group interested in creating an Office on Aging agreed to look at models from other communities and to set up an ad hoc committee to define its role and ultimately present a resolution to the governing bodies. Those interested in improving health care delivery agreed to inventory existing wellness and prevention programs as well as outreach and follow-up; to set up a group to identify where the needs and lacks are; and to develop a mechanism to communicate on a regular basis.

Each of the other groups set themselves short and long term goals and tasks and in many cases identified a planning committee and a meeting date to get started.

"Wow!" Mr. Copleman said after all the action plan reports had been given. "Look what you have just done! You have created a plan to take this town into the next century, a plan that will incredibly assist people getting older in this town — and other people as well. Go For it!"

On that note the conference ended, and the participants dispersed, energized and in possession not only of the visions that had been articulated but also a greater knowledge of what others in that room were thinking and doing vis-a-vis seniors in Princeton.

—Barbara L. Johnson



**SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION:** The Advocacy stakeholders discuss their concerns in a small group session. From left, facing the camera, are Charlotte Taylor, Jane Rodney, Lucy Graves and Helen Bishop. In front with his back to the camera is Jim Floyd, with Evelyn Geddes at the right and Capt. Peter J. Savalli of the Township Police Department.

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The Dillon playoffs begin with a Junior Division game Thursday night, before the playoffs get under way in all three divisions Saturday.

In other Junior Division games, Paul Johnson scored nine points and Pat Quirk added six as G.R. Murray Insurance topped Woodwinds, 19-10. Syon Bhanot scored four points for Woodwinds.

Alex Goodman scored 15 points and Dimitri Russell added 14 as Commodities Corporation beat Conte's Restaurant, 33-14. Eric Abdell-Rahman led Conte's with eight points. Skyler Dugger scored 14 points and Josh Thompson added nine as Princeton Shopping Center topped Ettl Farm, 27-24. Nathan Halpern led Ettl Farm with 10 points.

In Girls Division play, Lawrence Blne topped the Knicks, 9-6. Lindsay Brittan scored four points to lead the Knicks. Lawrence Pink topped the Nets, 24-4. Ishani Ganguli and Razwell Reed scored two points apiece for the Nets.

In Senior Division play, Jaime Annexy scored 10 points and Chuck Crow added seven as N.C. Jefferson topped the Princeton PBA Spurs, 31-16. Antione Chazelle had six points for the Spurs.

Colin Torre scored 11 points as Princeton Hardware beat Freschetti's Pasta Factory, 29-21. Charlie Denby led Freschetti's with 15 points.

Nathan Hess led four players in double figures as the Princeton PBA Jazz topped Princeton SportsMedicine, 59-32. Adam Varga scored 14 points, Paul Gish 14, and Mike Lemmerling 10 for the Jazz. Robert Hull led Sports-Medicine with 22 points.

**Calder and Graziano  
Halted in Region V**

The two Princeton High wrestlers who advanced through sectional competition and earned slots in the Region V Tournament were eliminated last week in a pre-quarterfinal round.

Seniors Ryan Calder, who wrestled at 140, lost an 18-5 decision to Mike Malinconico of Edson. Calder has been one of the most consistently excellent wrestlers on coach Matt Wilkinson's squad for three years now, and will be attending Harvard in the fall.

Graziano, a football player in the fall, took to wrestling only last year, and evolved from what Wilkinson described as a "brawler" into a competitor capable of making noise in the state tournament.

They were both stalwarts of a PHS squad that finished the 1995-96 season with a 12-4 record.

**Knicks Best Nets  
In Dillon Hoops**

Lindsay Brittan scored all nine of her points in the second half as the Knicks beat the Nets, 15-6, in a Girls Division playoff game in the Princeton Recreation Dillon Youth Basketball League Saturday.

Erin Walters added three points in the win for the Knicks, who will face the Sixers in Saturday's 11 a.m. championship game. The Sixers topped the Bulls, 11-6, as Jessica Lee led the way with seven points.

In the Senior Division, Princeton Hardware advanced to Wednesday's semifinals with a 24-16 win over N.C. Jefferson. Colin Torre led a balanced scoring attack with eight points for the winners. Ted Somers had seven points and Paul Deasey added six in the win. Dixon Hayes led N.C. Jefferson with six points.

In the other senior game, Aaron Levy scored 16 points and Robert Hull added 15 as Princeton SportsMedicine topped the Princeton PBA Spurs, 31-22. Jon Tipperman scored eight points and Antione Chazelle added seven in the loss for the Spurs.

In the Junior Division, Skyler Dugger and Josh Thompson scored 14 points apiece as Princeton Shopping Center topped Princeton Youth Sports, 34-24, in a quarterfinal game. Chris Hoeland had 12 points for PYS. In other action, G.R. Murray, a 41-22 winner over McCaffrey's, advanced to the semifinals. Paul Johnson scored 20 points and Pat Quirk added 10 in the win. Mark Rosenthal scored 14 points for McCaffrey's.

Ettl Farm advanced to the semifinals with a 31-30 win over Commodities Corp. Nathaniel Halpern scored 16 points to lead Ettl Farm in the win. Alex Goodman scored 14 points and Dimitri Russell added 10 in the loss. Mason, Griffin & Pierson topped Woodwinds, 42-16, as Whitney Hayes scored 25 points. Matt Schwerin scored eight points and Robby Everett added seven in the win. Nick Barnman had eight points for Woodwinds.

In an opening round game Thursday night, PYS picked up its first win of the year by beating Conte's, 28-25, in overtime. Cedro Rice scored nine points and Micha Moore added seven. Eric Abdell-Rahman led Conte's with 16 points.

The Senior Division championship game will be played on Saturday, March 9 at 9 a.m., with the Junior Division final at 10 a.m.

**Registration Under Way  
For Girls' Softball**

The Princeton Girls' Softball Association has announced that registration forms are now available for all girls who are interested in playing softball during the 1996 season.

Forms are available at the main office in all the Princeton Regional Schools. There will also be an open registration from 9 to noon on Saturday, March 9 at the Recreation Department office on Witherspoon Street.

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**PEOPLE in the News****Fifteen PHS Students  
Named Merit Finalists**

Fifteen Princeton High School students have been named as Finalists in the competition for Merit Scholarship awards to be offered in 1996.

They are, Karen Almgren, Ryan Calder, Rachel Cole, Grant Ellis, Elaine Farber, Sarah Foster, Elizabeth Kopley, Joshua Kramer, Homlin Lee, Edward Norland, Sam Parker, Daniel Richter, Megan Sandberg Zakian, Ommeed Sathe, and Anne Taylor.

**Jason Irby** of Princeton, a mass communication/film major at Emerson College, Boston, Mass., has been named to the dean's list for the fall semester.

**Dr. Patricia J. Krantz** and **Dr. Lynn E. McClannahan**, directors of the Princeton Child Development Institute, participated in the Congress on Special Needs, an international conference held at the University of Athens. The conference, which focused on developing improved educational services for people with developmental and physical disabilities, was attended by more than 700 specialists from around the world.

Dr. Krantz gave the keynote address, "Segregated Education, Integrated Education, Social Movements, and Science." Dr. McClannahan presented a paper entitled "Strategies for Integration: Building Repertoires That Support Co-education of Children with Autism."

**Allegra A. Algava**, daughter of Priscilla S. Algava, Randall Road, has been selected as a 1995-96 Resource Scholar at Brown University, Providence, R.I.

These undergraduate scholars are selected on the basis of exemplary independent projects which bridge theory and practice, university and community.

Each Resource Scholar will work closely with Brown's Resource Center to find resources relevant to their work. In April, they will each present their work to the Brown and Providence communities in a lecture series.

**Jeremy Krauss**, son of Elliot and Lily Krauss, Leslie Court, a sophomore at Northwood School in Lake Placid, N.Y., has attained the honor roll for the third marking period.

**Richard Kitaeff**



Lawrenceville resident **Stacey L. Schwam** has joined the Certified Public Accounting and Consulting firm of Withum, Smith & Brown as a senior accountant in the tax department.

Ms. Schwam, a C.P.A., is a graduate of Rutgers University's School of Business in New Brunswick, where she earned a B.S. degree in accounting. She was previously employed by Price Waterhouse, LLP, as a tax associate.

Stuart Country Day School student, **Denise Ramzy**, daughter of Marcia J. and Dr. Ayman H.N. Ramzy of Princeton, has been named a finalist in the 1996 National Merit Scholarship Program - a distinction that places her in a group representing only 5 percent of all U.S. high school graduating seniors.

An outstanding student at Stuart, she has also been named an Edgar J. Bloustein Distinguished Scholar. In addition, she received a certificate for "Participation with Distinction" in the National Science Biology Olympiad, and the Dartmouth College Book Award for "Intellectual leadership and a positive contribution to the extracurricular life of the school."

Ms. Ramzy is a member of the varsity tennis team at Stuart, co-president of the school's Admission Committee and an editor of La Source (the yearbook).

**Colleen F. Greenwood**, Halstead Place, and **Wendy B. Cherkow**, Landing Lane, Princeton Junction, have been named to the president's list for the fall semester at James Madison University, Harrisonburg, Va.

Also, **Alison R. Schoenmann**, Worcester Lane, Princeton Junction, was named to the dean's list at the school.

Market Facts, Inc., an Arlington Heights, Ill.-based market research and information company, has announced the addition of **Richard Kitaeff** as vice president in its New York office.

Mr. Kitaeff, a resident of Princeton, will be responsible for marketing to the utilities industry. He had a 25-year career at AT&T in New Jersey, holding a variety of positions in market research.

He holds a B.A. from the University of Cincinnati and an MBA from the New York University Graduate School of Business.

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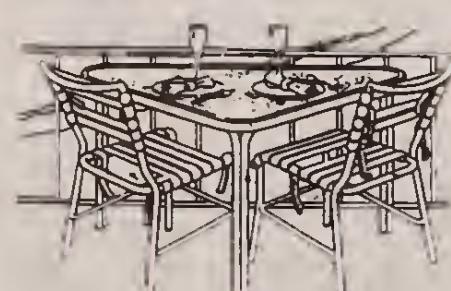
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## OBITUARIES

School, Middlebury, Conn., and Vassar College. Mrs. Gardner was involved in the Garden Club of Princeton during the time she lived here.

She is survived by her husband, Alfred W. Gardner; two sons, Alfred Jr. of Denver, Colo., and Frederick Gardner of Irving, Tex.; two daughters, Mary D. Gardner of Ft. Collins, Colo., and Deborah Gardner of Irving, Tex.; two brothers, Daniel and Frederick Hebard; and two grandchildren.

**Elizabeth P. Kleiber**, 69, of Mercerville, formerly of Princeton, died March 3 at Princeton Medical Center. Born in Princeton she lived here most of her life until moving to Mercerville in 1977.

Mrs. Kleiber was a former member of the Ladies Auxiliary of Engine Co. No. 1 of the Princeton Fire Department.

Wife of the late Ralph F. Kleiber and sister of the late Barbara Packer, she is survived by two sons and daughters-in-law, Ralph F. Jr. and Karen L. Kleiber of Hamilton Square and Richard F. and Michele L. Kleiber of Ewing; a daughter and son-in-law, Karen and Christopher Wright Sr. of Mercerville; and six grandchildren.

The service was held Saturday at Mt. Pisgah A.M.E. Church, the Rev. Vernard Leak, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Princeton Cemetery.

**Sandra Hebard Gardner**, a former Princeton resident, died March 4 in Basalt, Colo., after a lengthy illness. She lived in Princeton with her family for many years before moving to Colorado in 1972.

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### Bulletin Notes

The Princeton Singers will give the sixth in this year's "concerts by Candlelight" series at **Trinity Church**, 33 Mercer Street. The concert on Sunday will include music by Tye, Byrd, Gibbons and Smart as well as Herbert Howells' moving *Requiem*, written after the death of his young son.

Tickets are \$10 (\$5 for seniors) and may be purchased at the door.

The 9:15 and 11:15 services Sunday, March 10 at **The Unitarian Church** will be a celebration of the American way of life and the centennial of the birth of the American composer and conductor Howard Hanson. The choir and the Collegium Musicum will perform a program entitled "A Celebration of Democracy" at both services.

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Mrs. Singer for many years was an exclusive sales representative for the Trump Organization. She teaches art at area schools and serves on the board of trustees of the Montgomery Cultural Center and the board of directors of the Montgomery Arts Council.

**Joyce Panitz** has been named top sales agent at Fox & Lazo, Inc., Realtors' Princeton office for the month of January.

Top listings agent for the Princeton office was awarded to **Marilyn Ticktin**.



Lynn Vachon

The Princeton Office of Weidel Realtors has added two realtor-associates.

**Lynn Vachon**, a resident of West Windsor, will work with buyers and sellers in Princeton and surrounding communities.

**Kate Stinson** of Lawrence Township has considerable real estate experience. Last month she achieved top listing agent at the Weidel Princeton office. She is a member of the Weidel Million Dollar Club and the Mercer County Board of Realtors.



Jude Lounsbury

Ted Begun

Five members of Burgdorff Realtors' Princeton office have earned membership in the NJ Association of Realtors' Million Dollar Club.

**Ted Begun** of West Windsor, a sales associate, has been a full-time real estate professional since 1987. He has earned numerous office and company awards, including membership in Burgdorff's Producers Club.

**Jude Lounsbury**, a sales associate, also earned NJAR Million Dollar Sales Club honors in 1992 and 1993. A real estate professional since 1988, she is a member of Burgdorff's President's Club.

**Mary Relling** of Cranbury, a broker associate, earned NJAR Million Dollar Sales Club honors in 1993 and 1994, as well. She is a member of the firm's President's Club and has been honored six times with Mercer County Board of Realtors' Educational Achievement Award.

**Marjory White** of Princeton, a broker associate, celebrates the 13th year she has earned NJAR Million Dollar Sales Club honors. A veteran of the real estate business for 22 years, she is a member of Burgdorff's President's Club.

**Betty Beran** of West Windsor Township also earned NJAR Million Dollar Sales Club honors in 1993 and 1994. She has received several awards for outstanding production, including membership in the President's Club.

**Richard A. Weidel Jr.**, president of Richard A. Weidel Corporation, Realtors, expects continued growth in 1996 for all business units. Mr. Weidel announced that 1995 sales volume for real estate brokerage, insurance, title and mortgage services was more than \$600 million. In addition the company marketed more than 2300 homes.



Jill Wasserman

Princeton resident **Jill Wasserman** of Fox & Lazo, Realtors' Princeton office, has been named 1995 office sales leader.

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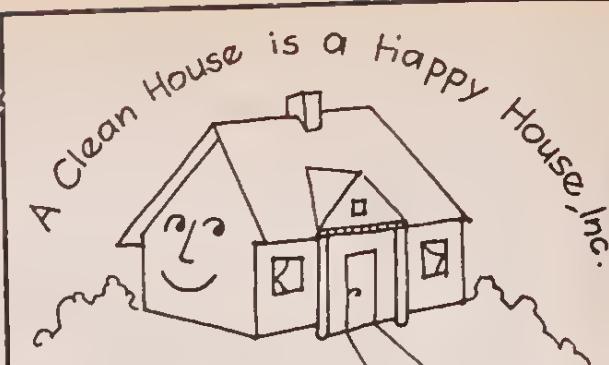
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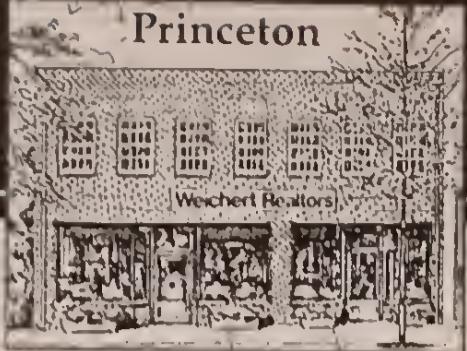
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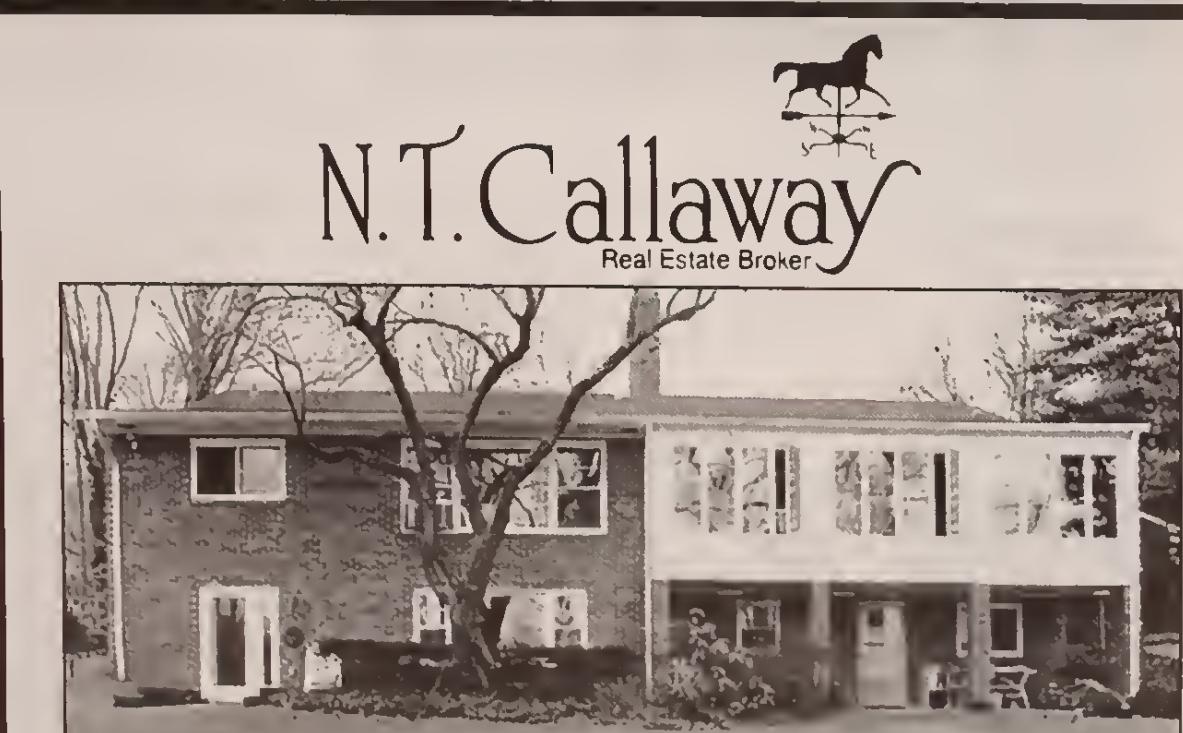


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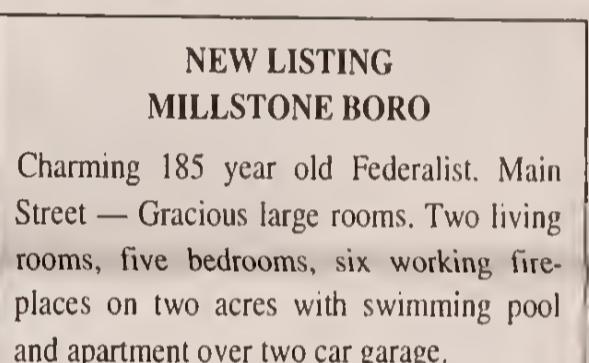
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